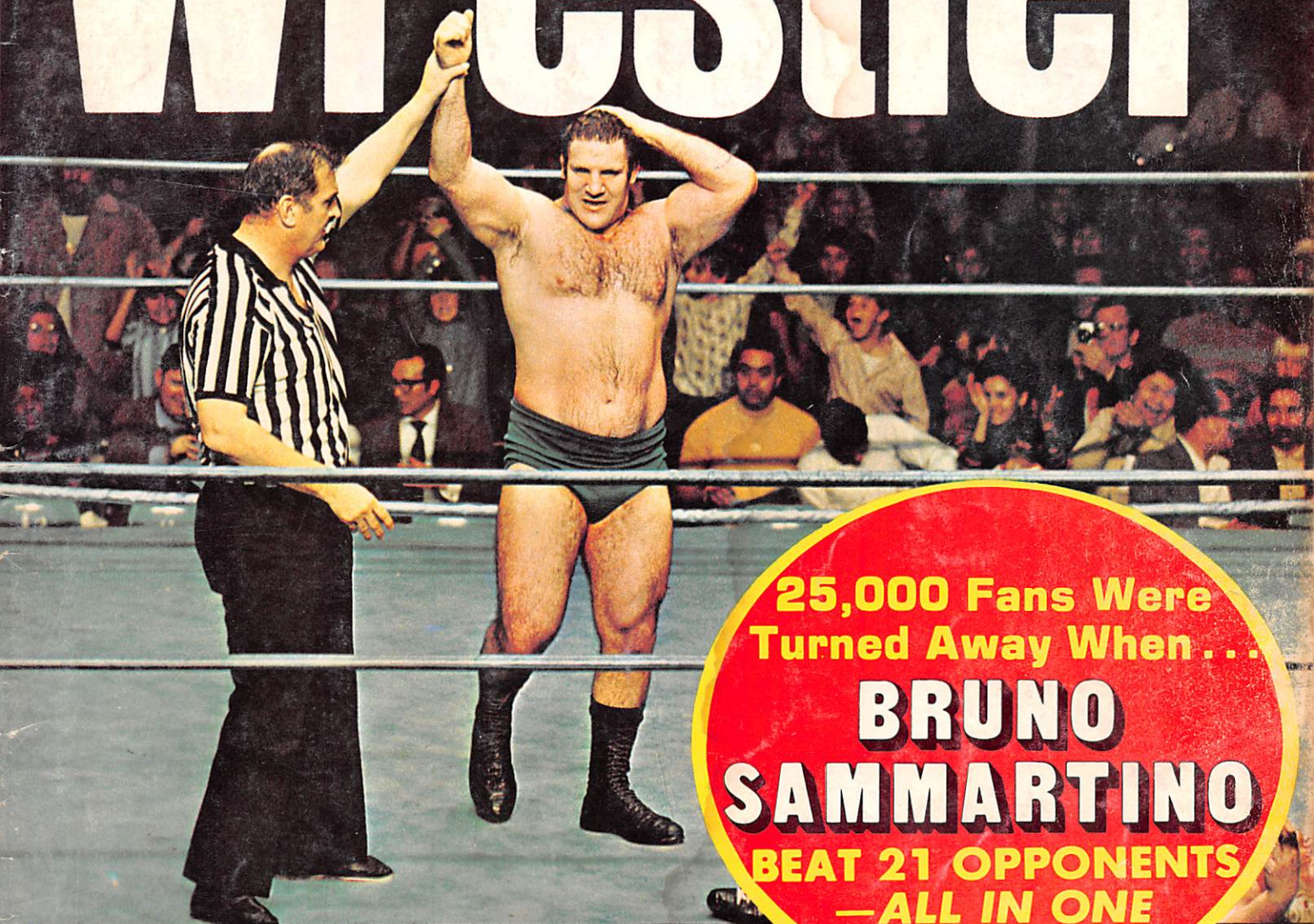


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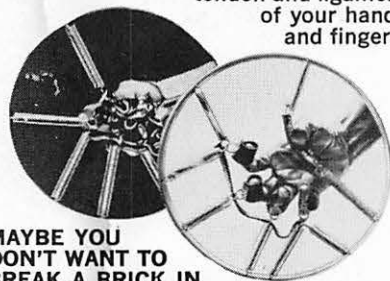
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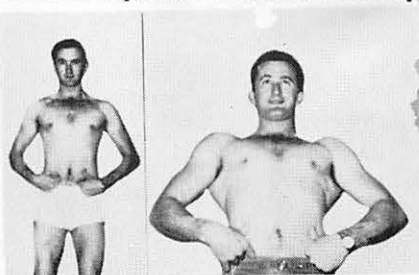


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IT'S OBVIOUS THAT readers of THE WRESTLER and INSIDE WRESTLING really know their stuff. We thought it would be difficult to get 20 winners in the contest published in the February issue of THE WRESTLER. But boy were we wrong!

The hundreds of entries contained many more than 20 winners. So we took the 20 correct entries with the earliest postmarks—and they're the ones who will receive the free subscription.

For those of you who didn't win and are wondering where you went wrong, here are the correct answers:

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Bottom left: El Sicodelico. Bottom middle: Texas. Bottom right: John Tolos.

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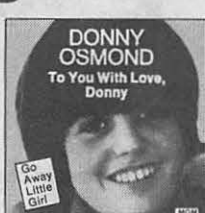
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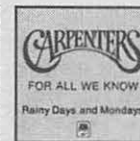
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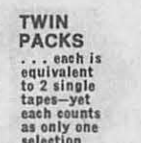
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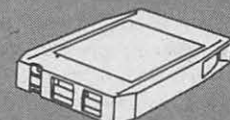


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HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING, BABY!

By Bill Apter

RED BASTIEN and Crusher have lost their A.W.A. tag team title to Nick Bockwinkel and Ray Stevens! The title changed hands in Denver just a few short weeks after these very same teams were involved in "The Chicago Bloodbath" (INSIDE WRESTLING/MARCH '72). The Denver battle saw much bloodletting on both sides and now a rematch is in the works. The third match could prove to be the biggest bloodbath in wrestling history!

Ivan Koloff's manager, the Big K, is certain the giant Russian will upset Verne Gagne to become the next A.W.A. World Champion.

"Gagne can't possibly retain his title when he meets Ivan," the Russian's manager told our reporter. "This match will be a breeze. Ivan is young and strong while Gagne is 'old man time.' And remember—Koloff beat Bruno Sammartino. So he won't have any sweat with Gagne!"

Killer Kowalski has returned to California after a lengthy absence. When Killer entered the ring for his debut, he was wearing Cowboy Frankie Laine's

Americas' Championship belt.

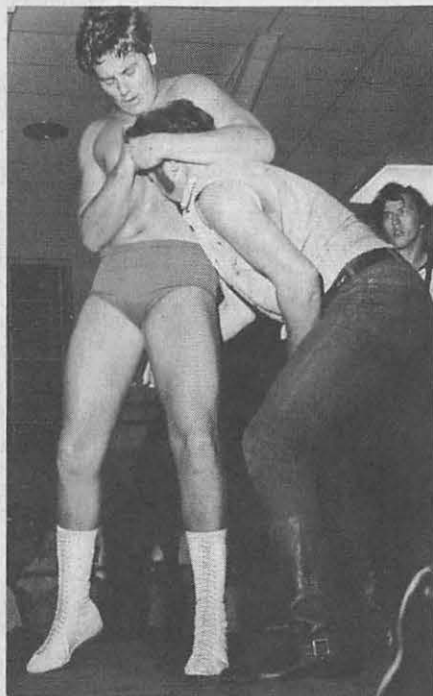
"I beat Laine fair and square in Florida," Kowalski claimed. "Now all the fans in California will see what a real champion looks like. Laine's gone back to the ranch to return to what he does best—milk cows and frighten chickens!"

Sensational Jack Brisco admits he enjoys teaming with Pat O'Connor as well as with Johnny Valentine.

"They've both been around this business a long time and I learn something new every time I work with them," Jack said on a recent TV interview. "Working with Pat I can concentrate on scientific wrestling, and teaming with Johnny I get a first hand lesson about rough-house wrestling. In this business you need them both!"

Young sensation Jimmy Golden is anxious to get another shot at Dory Funk Jr.'s N.W.A. title.

"I've got a lot more experience now," Jimmy said. "The first time I met Dory I'd only been wrestling a few months. I'm not being overconfident, but I think I can take him now. Heck, the



Sensational Jimmy Golden is only a rookie, but he held champ Dory Funk Jr. to a draw!

first match was a draw. That wasn't so bad—at least I didn't lose." Dory Jr. predicts big things for Jimmy—in a few years. Because of Jimmy's constantly smiling face, fans are calling him "The Kid With The Golden Glow!"

Referee Dick Kroll is fuming at Professor Toru Tanaka. While Kroll was officiating the Tanaka-Pedro Morales title match, the Japanese Professor threw salt in Pedro's face. Pedro ducked—and Kroll's eyes wound up full of the stuff. Dick admits that he'd like to get back at Tanaka but he has no idea how to do it. How about throwing salt over your shoulder for good luck, Dick—while Tanaka's behind you!

Pampero Firpo—oops—that's the GREAT Pampero Firpo, returned to Madison Square Garden after an eight-year absence.

"Look what happened," Pam-

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Nick Bockwinkel and Ray Stevens are in a happy mood as they congratulate each other on winning the A.W.A. tag team crown formerly held by Red Bastien and Crusher.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING

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pero screamed when he arrived at the Garden. "I come back to New York and Pedro Morales don't give me a title shot. I don't like thees. Morales is chicken. I would beat heem easy. Ooooh yeeeeeah! Get me a match and I'll be the new champion."

Promoter Vince McMahon says Pampero will get a title shot if the wildman works his way through the W.W.W.F. ranks. That means Pampero will have to face such greats as Chief Strongbow, Gorilla Monsoon and Victor Rivera. Good Luck Pampero—Ooooh yeeeeeah!

Tony "Dino" Marino phoned us from his Pittsburgh home to report that he's finally found a tag team partner he really clicks with—Tony Parisi. In the past, Tony has had several partners and he once won a tag team title with Victor Rivera as his teammate.

Once good friends and tag team partners, Jan Sheridan and Paula Kaye, have been tearin' each other apart in arenas all over the country. No one knows why they've suddenly turned on each other—and if anyone does know—they're keeping it hush.

Los Angeles promoter Mike

Pampero Firpo is steaming because he came to New York expecting a shot at Pedro Morales' title and was told he'd have to work his way up to a title match. Pampero already defeated Pedro a few years ago, before the great Puerto Rican became champion.



LeBell is busy trying to sign Bruno Sammartino for a series of bouts at the Olympic Auditorium. Bruno won LeBell's sensational 22-man Battle Royal a few months back.

"Do you realize what I've done!" LeBell exclaimed. "I'm probably the only promoter in the world who's had Bruno Sammartino, Dory Funk Jr. and Pedro Morales in his arena. Now I'd like to try and get all three of them here at the same time. That would really be something, wouldn't it! Oh, by the way, if Verne Gagne wants to drop in that evening—it would be okay with me!"

Stan "The Man" Stasiak is headed for Texas. The Grand Wizard, Stan's manager, is staying in the eastern states. Jim Valiant, Wizard's other sensation, is still with the mysterious manager. Is the Wizard playing favorites as we believe he did when Blackjack Mulligan left his stable because he was jealous of Beautiful Bobby?

"I never play favorites!" The Wizard screamed. "The only thing I play is Russian Roulette. And I always win!"

Bobo Brazil just returned from a trip to Japan. The coco butt expert liked the country so much he's preparing several more trips to the Orient in the very near future. Another wrestler who's become hooked on the Japanese ways is Mil Mascaras' brother, El Sicodelico. And Sicodelico is just as big a hit as his brother is each time he goes to

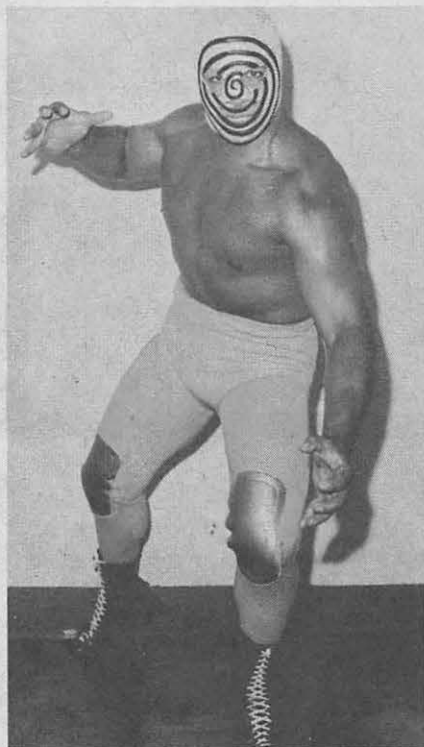
Japan! You've trained him well, Mil!

Flyin' Fred Curry is out to get big Ernie Ladd.

"Just because I'm smaller than he is, Ladd thinks I'd be an easy match for him. Well let me tell you something. I've beaten guys as big as Ladd and as strong as him. Once Ladd gets dumped off his feet, he loses his cool and can't wrestle anymore. Just let me get my flyin' feet close to him. I'll show him who's boss!" How 'bout that, Ernie?

George Linnehan, a wrestler who raised all kinds of hell back in the days of the Dusek Brothers, is the smiling face you see ring announcing at the Boston Garden... The new Zebra Kid continues to get himself disqualified as often as he can... Dingo The Sundowner publicly stated he'd love to end Mighty Igor's career... Veteran star Angelo Savoldi is still accepting matches in the New York area. Savoldi brags, "I could show some of these youngsters a thing or two if they'd let me get into the ring with them"... Louis "The Ariba Kid" Martinez and Lord Athol Layton have told The Sheik that they're out to destroy him. But the Arab and his manager are just ignoring the threats... Smasher Slone has returned to the east. He's as brutal as he ever was... The Great Black Demon insists he's strictly main event material and he could defeat anyone who has guts

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Popular El Sicodelico, Mil Mascaras' brother, is yet another wrestling star who has fallen in love with Japan.

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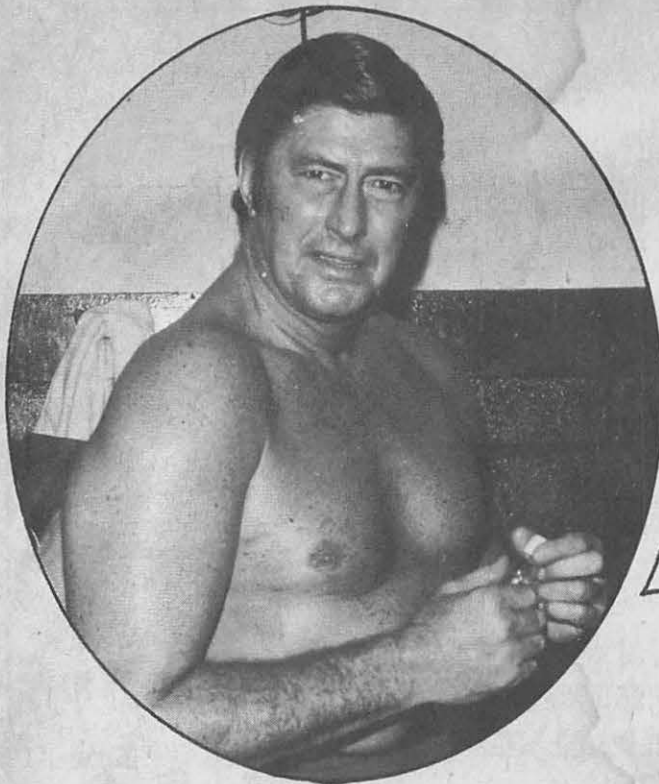
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LORD LAYTON'S WAR



FOR A LONG time, popular Lord Layton has watched as The Sheik mowed down wrestler after wrestler in Toronto's Maple Leaf Gardens. As host of his own TV show, Layton has always tried to remain neutral, giving Abdullah Farouk as well as others the chance to speak on his program. Despite what he might have felt about The Sheik's actions, Lord Layton remained totally objective.

There's something about Toronto that makes The Sheik try harder. Perhaps it's because there is no city on the face of the earth where he's more despised. For whatever the reason, The Sheik has not lost a match in three years at Maple Leaf Gardens.

Layton and the fans alike thought The Sheik's fantastic streak would come to an end against Luis Martinez, thought of as the man most likely to stop the wild Arab. And because Martinez was given such a good chance, Layton agreed to participate—to an extent—in the match.

Many of The Sheik's contests have been marred by the interference of

Lord Layton (above) always prided himself on being fair to all wrestlers on his TV show—including The Sheik. But when a sneak attack by The Sheik left the Lord looking like this (right), the popular Englishman challenged the Arab to a match!



Farouk, also known as "the Weasel," the wily manager. To make sure there'd be no interference from Farouk, Layton agreed to have himself handcuffed to the manager while The Sheik and Martinez battled. Layton and the Weasel stood in a corner, on the ring apron, hand-

cuffed to the ringpost. It was the closest the Lord had ever come to taking sides before. Even Farouk admitted that Lord Layton was the one man who gave The Sheik a fair chance to answer his critics on the TV show. "I don't think much of Layton as a wrestler," Farouk once

For almost three years Lord Layton watched The Sheik terrorize every opponent he met in Toronto's Maple Leaf Gardens. The Lord, host of a TV show, always tried to remain objective. Even Abdullah Farouk admitted Layton was the only TV host who ever gave his man a fair shake. But a weird set of circumstances propelled Layton into a pair of matches against The Sheik—matches Layton will never forget!

WITH THE SHEIK!



The Sheik attacks Lord Layton (left), ripping his shirt to shreds. Below: this closeup shows how The Sheik held Lord Layton's leg, preventing Layton from returning to the ring before the count ran out. Had Layton returned, The Sheik's amazing winning streak would have been all over.



said, "but I must admit that he's been the only one who's been fair to us on TV."

Therefore, Farouk didn't complain when Layton was selected as the man he'd be handcuffed to. He knew the Lord was fair and would not interfere. And Layton knew Farouk respected him and therefore wouldn't try any tricks.

Almost 16,000 fans awaited Martinez' appearance. Prior to the match, Farouk had insulted him, made fun of him and cast ethnic slurs at his

Mexican-Indian background. Luis needed no pep talk to get up for this one. He was so ready, in fact, he charged The Sheik before the match began, belting him with his jacket and The Sheik's own prayer rug.

Referee Tiger Tasker finally separated them, signalled for the bell to be rung, and declared the match underway. Martinez battled his heart out, but The Sheik produced a pencil from somewhere (Farouk didn't give it to him since Layton was watching him all the time) and repeatedly stab-

bed Luis in the face.

Blood streamed down Martinez' face, onto his chest and trunks. It was so gory many fans turned away. And worse, the blood blinded Luis, making him a sitting duck for the vile Arab. The Sheik punished him a little more and then applied the "Camel Clutch." Martinez was through.

But then The Sheik, in one of the most despicable acts of his long career, turned on the only man who'd ever treated him fairly—Layton! With Layton still handcuffed to the post and Farouk, The Sheik attacked him, ripping off his clothes, sinking his sharpened teeth into his forehead, ripping the pencil into his skin.

Fans screamed in terror as Layton, an absolute idol in that city, absorbed the punishment. Somehow, after being bitten, punctured, punched and stomped into a bloody mess, Layton broke free from the handcuffs and went after The Sheik. He clubbed him senseless with karate chops and opened up a gash on his head. By this time, Martinez was coming around and he, too, went after the Arab.

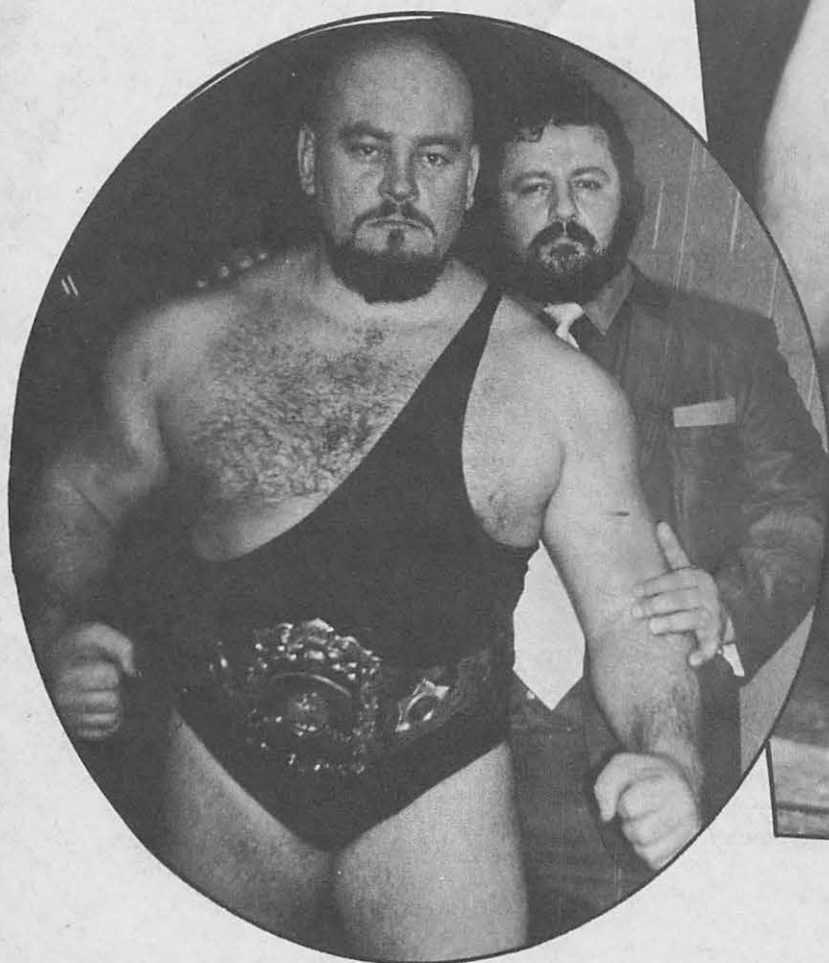
The Sheik was panic-stricken now, and only when Farouk grabbed him and led him back to the dressing room did he escape the impending slaughter. But Lord Layton was angry—something unusual for the mild-mannered star—and he immediately stormed down to promoter Frank Tunney's office and demanded a match with The Sheik.

"For years I've sat quietly by watching this maniac terrorize wrestlers," Layton, still boiling, told us. "I always bent over backwards to be fair to him and Farouk. I was even criticized for giving them a chance to give their side of the story. I didn't like The Sheik but I always tried to

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WHY

IVAN KOLOFF DISAPPEARED

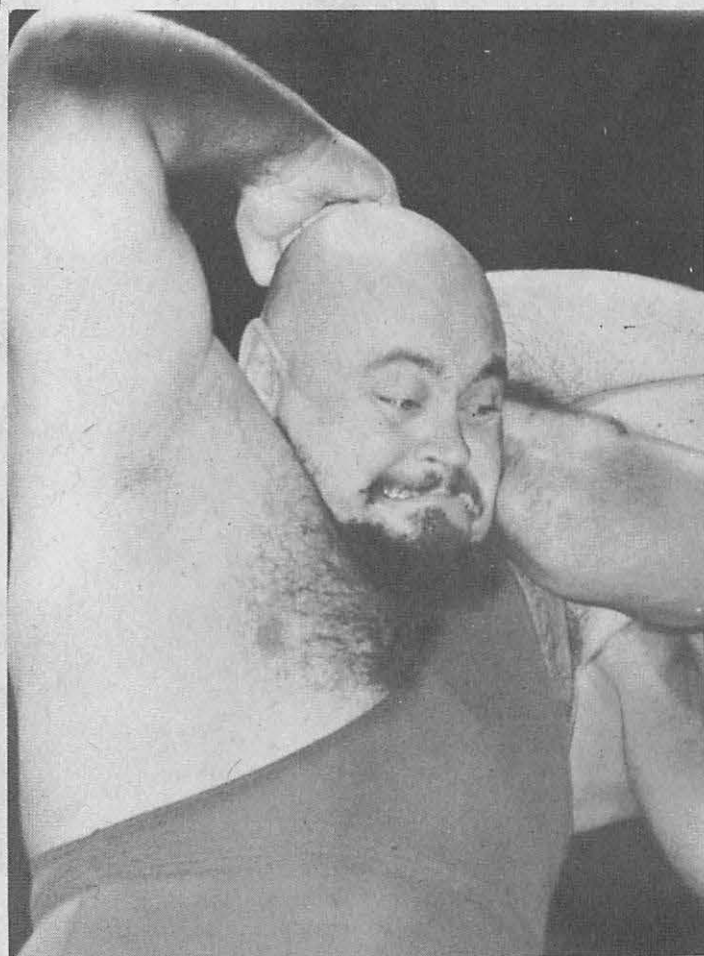


Ivan Koloff (above) poses with former manager Lou Albano after defeating Bruno Sammartino for the W.W.W.F. title. That's Bruno's former belt Ivan's wearing around his waist. Right, above: Koloff shows a TV audience his huge bicep. His comeback is being guided by The Big K.



THE CAPACITY CROWD in New York's Madison Square Garden was stunned. Bruno Sammartino had been defeated after eight years as World Wide Wrestling Federation champion. And to make matters worse—the new king was a Russian of enormous strength and terrible disposition named Ivan... Ivan

... AND WHY HE HAD TO COME BACK!



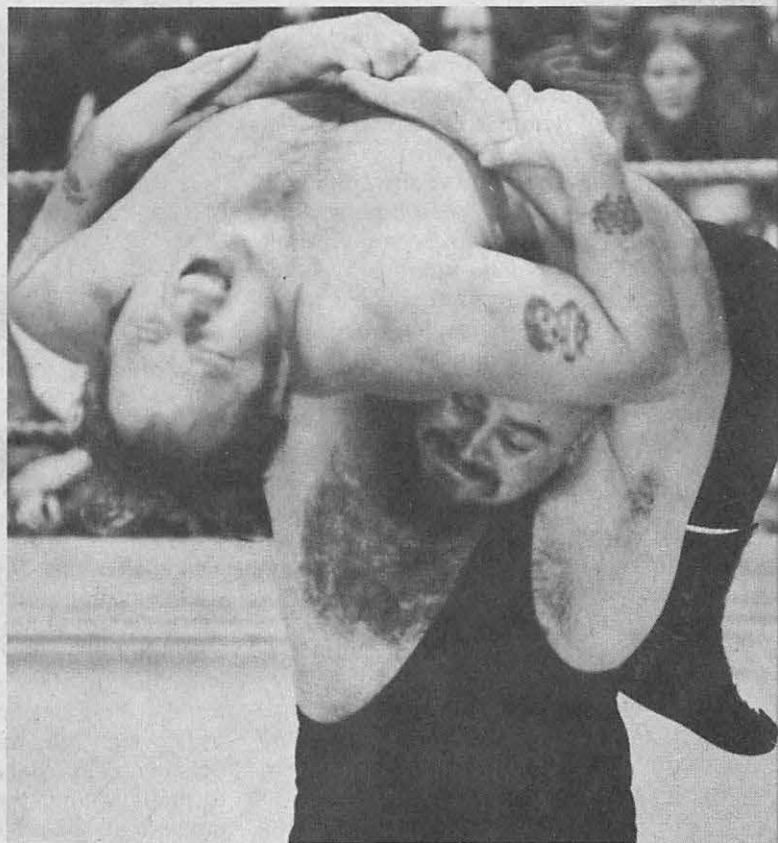
Ivan (above) rarely loses a test of strength with anybody. Even Bruno Sammartino couldn't outmuscle the Russian. Right: Kenny Jay screams in pain from Koloff's backbreaker. It's Ivan's submission hold and experts feel it's the best one in all wrestling.

Koloff.

Koloff lasted as champion for only a month before losing his title in a highly disputed match to present champion Pedro Morales. Then, as far as eastern fans were concerned, Ivan Koloff simply disappeared from the scene as quickly and explosively as he had appeared on it only shortly before.

What happened to Ivan Koloff? Plenty, according to him and his manager, The Big K. And, what's going to happen to Koloff may prove even more significant than his past.

Ivan Koloff, the young, enormously powerful Russian, won the W.W.W.F. title from Bruno Sammartino, lost it to Pedro Morales, then seemingly disappeared. But he's back now with a new manager. And they have their sights set on Verne Gagne's A.W.A. championship belt.



Through an interpreter, we asked Ivan and Big K for the inside story behind his title defeat and sudden disappearance from New York. His answers were those of an angry and determined wrestler.

"I have no quarrels with the man I defeated, Bruno Sammartino," said Koloff, "even though I know

he wanted Morales to take the title from me. That is his privilege. I would just like to say that my many matches with Sammartino were the toughest ones I ever had. He is a strong wrestler, a talented wrestler, a champion wrestler. I have nothing but great respect for Bruno Sammartino. And since I was the man

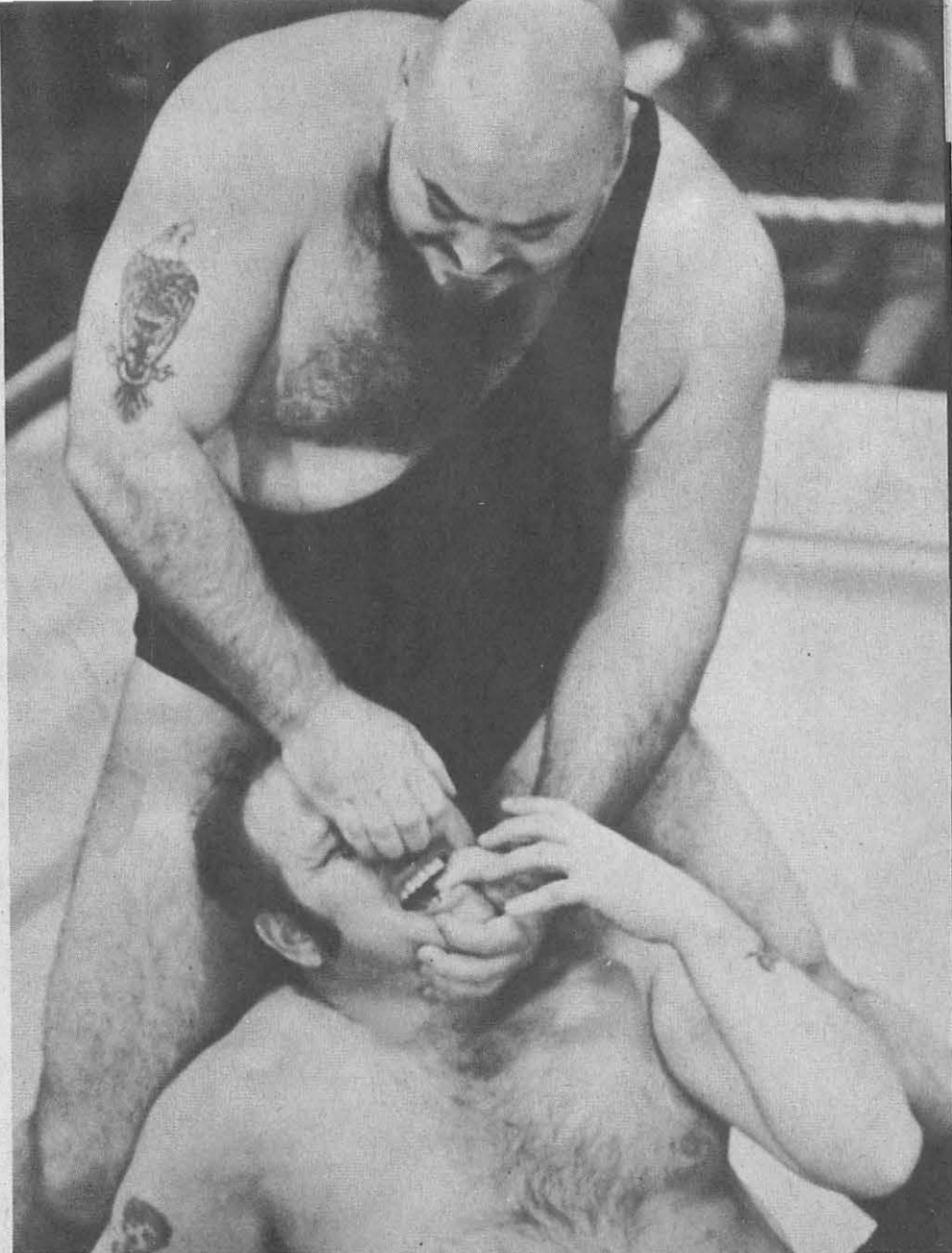
who finally won his belt I would hope he has respect for me.

"However, I do not have any respect at all for those people who allowed my title to be stolen from me by upholding what was obviously an illegal pin by Morales. And I include Morales himself in that category for accepting the championship under such questionable circumstances. I felt I could not uphold my dignity and continue to wrestle in that area. So I left. I went back to Russia."

While in Russia Koloff brooded about his title. But he also knew he had trained too long, worked too hard and was simply too good to give it up. He was determined to return to the United States and prove himself. After all, after so many others had failed, it was Ivan Koloff who defeated Sammartino. If he was *that* good—he *had* to return.

Ivan's decision to return fit in with the manner of the person he is. Born in Kiev, Russia, Ivan began wrestling when he was nine, the age at which all Soviet youths are expected to begin participation in at least one sport. He progressed quickly, winning a series of amateur championships at different age levels. He was so good he remained the amateur champion until he was 19. Then he turned pro. The last five of his 10 years as a pro have been spent in the United States. For 20 of his 29 years Ivan Koloff has been a wrestler. You don't throw away that kind of training and experience because of a "bum decision."

With his mind made up to return, Ivan's next thought was to get a top-flight manager, one who would not let him be cheated as he felt he was in New York. He selected the Big K, partly because they had met each other in the Far East, and partly because of the manner in which he handled Kobayashi. Through an interpreter, the two got together, worked out a contract, and made plans for Ivan's conquest of the heavyweight title... a different heavy-



Koloff rips at the nose and mouth of Kenny Jay. The "Russian Bear" is so enormously powerful he usually wrestles two opponents at one time. He can lift 600 pounds, has 22-inch biceps and a 58-inch chest. Ivan has been wrestling for 20 of his 29 years—10 of them as a pro.

weight title.

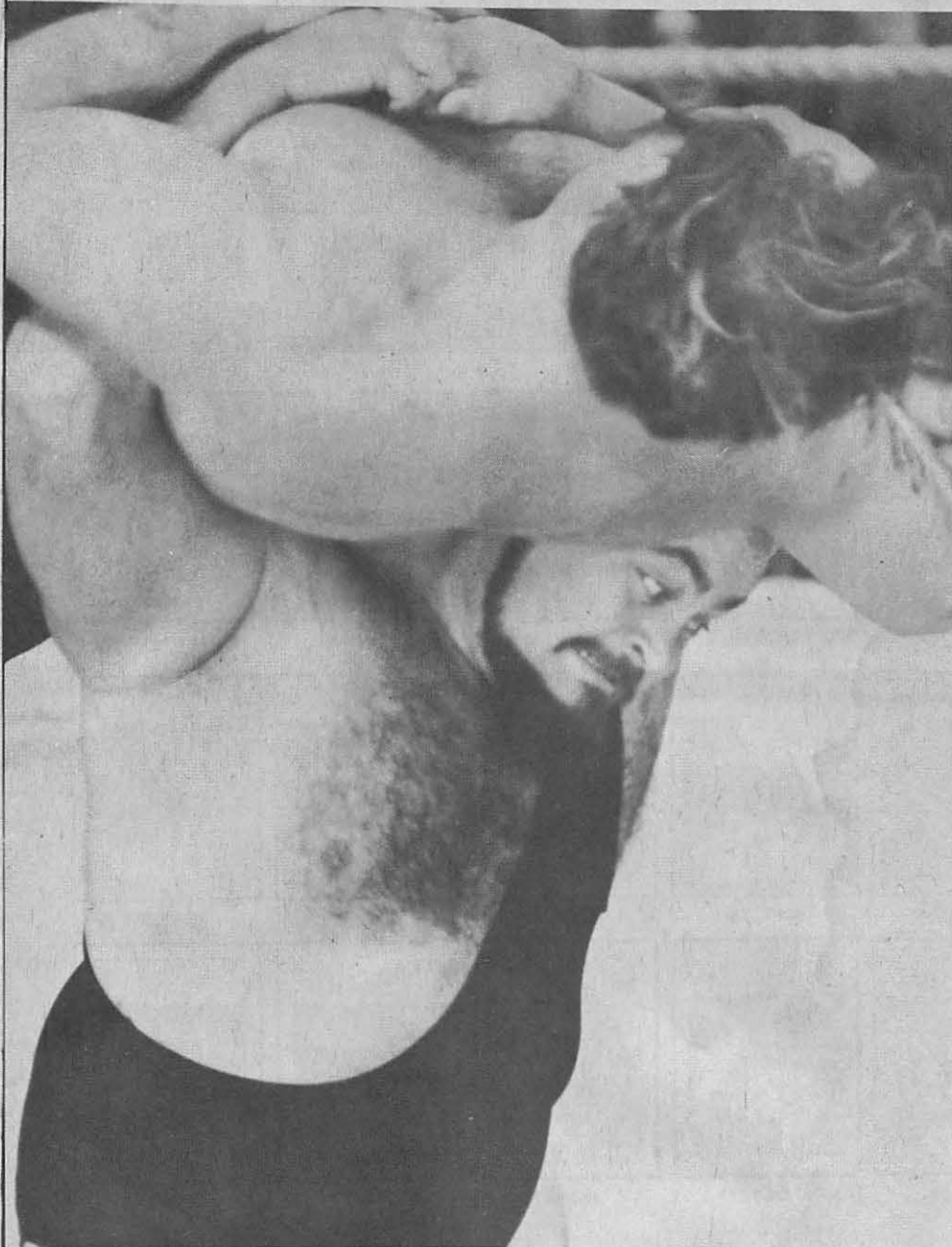
"I was honored to have a wrestler of Ivan's ability ask me to manage him," The Big K said. "Young wrestlers are always asking managers to take them on. But when a former heavyweight champion, a man who defeated Bruno Sammartino asks you to manage him, that is an honor. I jumped at the chance—although I didn't realize the obstacles that were waiting for us."

The first obstacle was Koloff himself, so embittered and angered at what happened in New York, he wanted to kill every opponent he met. "I had to convince him that no matter what he did he could never

erase what had already happened," K pointed out. "I showed him that brooding over the past was affecting his ability. We're going after a new champion now—Verne Gagne. We have to forget Morales."

The second obstacle was getting a match with Gagne. No man wants to wrestle the man who defeated Bruno Sammartino. And when Koloff beat Sailor Art Thomas in a "battle of strength," everybody else began running scared. Ivan was forced to accept handicap bouts in which he faced two wrestlers, so feared was his strength.

Koloff is possibly the strongest wrestler in the world—bar none.



No wrestler has ever emerged victorious after Koloff applied his backbreaker. He lifts opponents as easily as you might lift a pencil. "I could break all their backs if I want to," Ivan noted.

He maintains his strength by constantly lifting weights as much as 600 pounds. His biceps measure 22 inches as does his powerful neck. Koloff's chest tells you why they call him the "Russian Bear." It measures 58 inches around. His calves and thighs are like tree trunks. His muscular back and shoulders look as if they could move buildings.

"What most people might consider an incredible feat of strength is just an average every day occurrence for Ivan," The Big K explained. "That's why he doesn't mind meeting two opponents at once. He isn't concerned. And so far he's handled them all like babies."

Another obstacle in their road to the championship is what The Big K calls the 'prejudice' of American wrestling fans.

"Wrestling fans here want to see only American champions. They don't realize wrestling is an international sport. But fans here—fans who are supposed to be the most affluent and bighearted in the world—say they believe in the international brotherhood of man but they don't. They're hypocrites.

"I've worked very hard to put wrestling on an international level ... to let fans in this country see the greatest foreign grapplers and vice versa. So what happens? I bring a



Koloff body slams Kenny Jay. Wrestlers say his body slam is like falling off a five-floor building onto concrete!

great international star like Kobayashi here so the fans can see him and I'm immediately called a 'Jap-lover!' Now I'm guiding the career of Ivan Koloff and the same fans call me a 'Commie-lover' or a 'pinko.' Even my little daughter gets this treatment in school!"

As a result, The Big K has gotten his recognition outside of the United States. He was recently honored by the Japanese government which gave him a medal for promoting international brotherhood. "How many wrestling fans can say that?" he asked. "They're too busy wallowing in their own prejudices to realize that people like Kobayashi and Koloff are kind, wonderful and talented human beings."

Koloff does not agree with everything The Big K says—just most of it. "I cannot say all the American fans are bad," he said, "because after I lost my title I received a number of letters from fans saying they were sorry I had to lose the title under such circumstances. But they are in the minority. The others do not like

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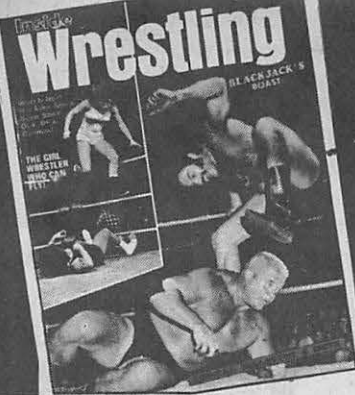
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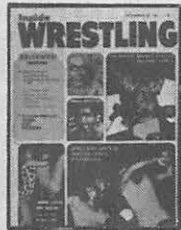
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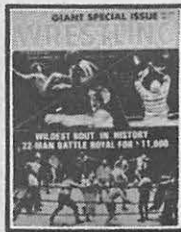
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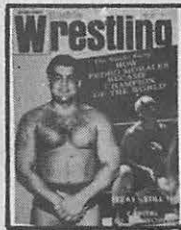
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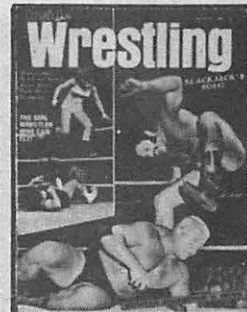
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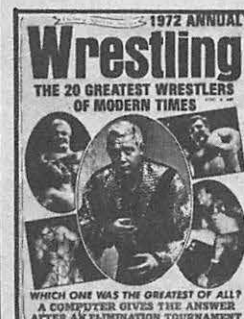
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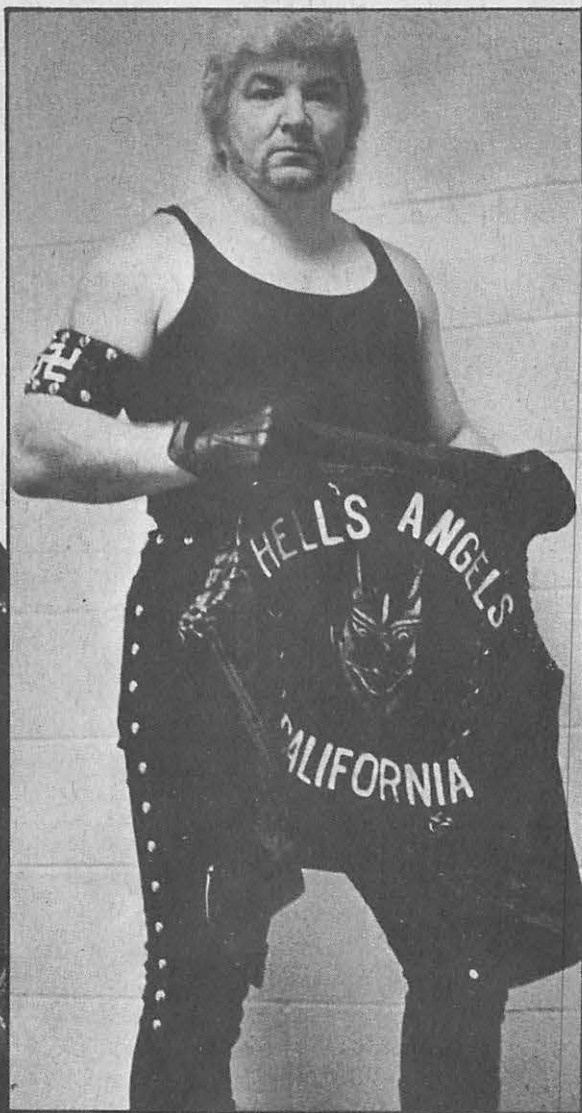
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THE HELL'S

"WE'RE BEING FORCED

The notorious Hell's Angels claim they've simply become too good for the rest of the tag teams around and that there's a conspiracy to break them up!

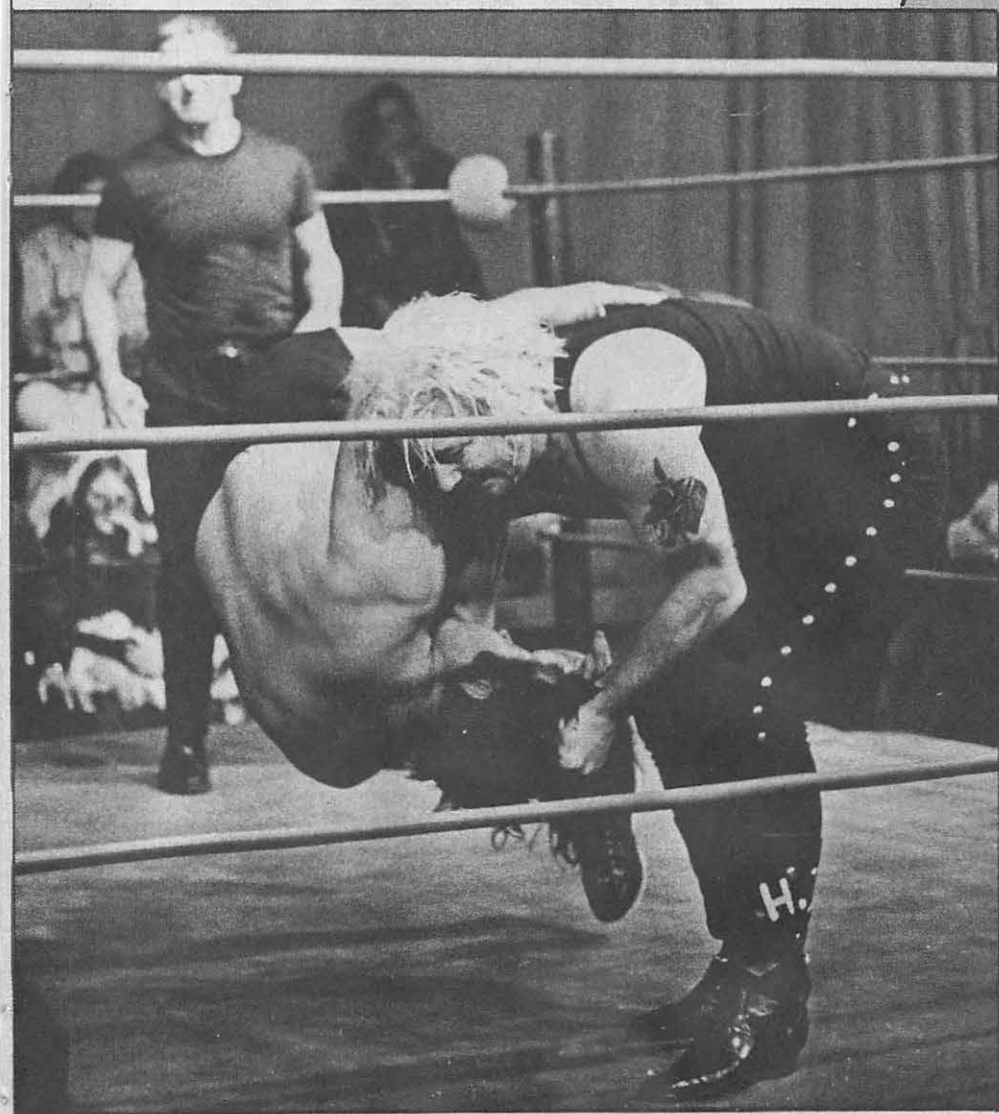


Former World Tag Team kings, the Hell's Angels (left), say they're the victims of a conspiracy. Above: Angel #1 is now wrestling as a single.

THE NOTORIOUS HELL'S Angels are splitting up! The tag team that has terrorized the Midwest for so long is now going its separate ways—even though they don't want to.

"You can say we're being forced to split up," said Hell's Angel #1 after a recent match in Tennessee. "I'm not charging that promoters are con-

ANGELS CHARGE TO SPLIT UP!"



Hell's Angel #1 flips an opponent by the hair in the first match he wrestled in without Hell's Angel #2. "It seemed strange in there all alone and I didn't like it one bit," he said. "But they forced us into it. Someday I hope we'll be able to wrestle as a team once more."

spiring against us—but that's what it sure looks like to me.

"We've been wrestling in the Midwest and mid-South and we've destroyed every other team worth mentioning. Alright, so maybe we were a little too rough on occasion and we damaged a few chairs or some television equipment. But we paid for it. So finally we decided to split

since this scene was getting to be a drag.

"We wrote letters all over, out west, east, down south, you name it. We even sent letters to Canada. We told them the tremendously popular and successful Hell's Angels were leaving their present scene and looking to wrestle in a new area. We inquired about bookings. Every letter



The Angels sack out among the garbage. They claim they're being penalized for setting a bad image for youngsters.

we got back said the same thing. They'd be happy to have either one of us—but they wanted no part of us together."

"Oh they were very nice about it, too," Hell's Angel #2 chimed in angrily. "They thanked us for inquiring and assured us that there's nothing better they'd like to do than to have us two fine young men wrestle in their area, but, unfortunately, they didn't need another tag team at this time. Hell, it was like a damn form letter! No matter where we write it's always the same. Nobody wants us!"

"Look," said Hell's Angel #1, "let me explain something to you. Most of these arenas have tag team champions who are nice, clean-cut, gentlemen who all the fans love and admire. They feed these guys a steady diet of overweight slobs or inept masked idiots so the good guys can handle them. That makes the fans very happy.

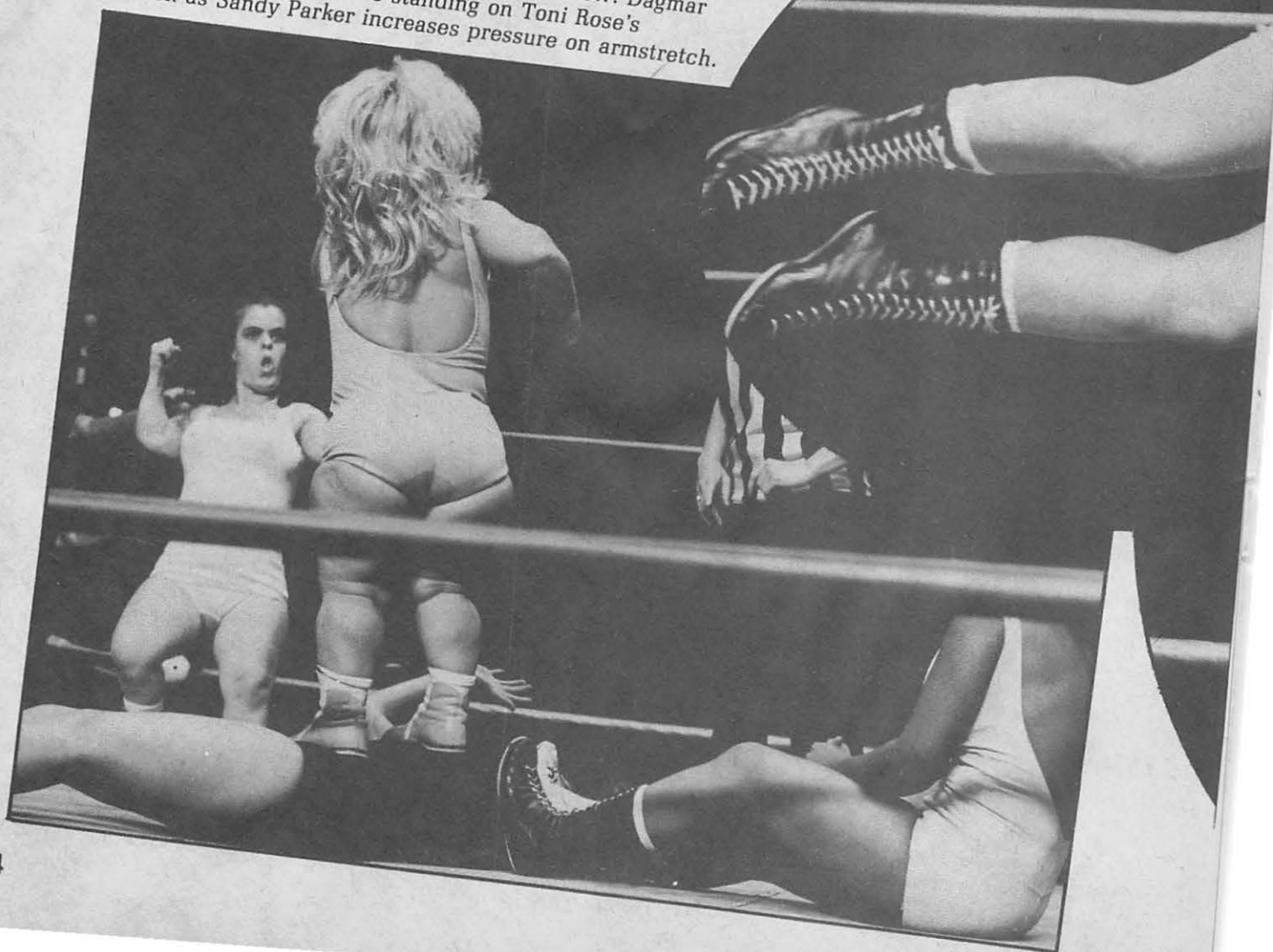
"Now if Hell's Angels came into the area, they know that their nice, gentlemanly, tag team champions ain't gonna be champions much longer. The fans will get angry. It doesn't

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DO MIDGETS HAVE THE ADVANTAGE IN MIXED MATCHES?

Why do midgets agree to those "mixed matches"—matches in which they often wind up testing their 80 or so pounds against wrestlers three times their size? Think it's unfair? It may well be unfair... but not to the midgets!

Few people realize how strong most midget wrestlers really are. Darling Dagmar (right) airplane spins Toni Rose during a mixed tag team match. Below: Dagmar holds off Diamond Lil while standing on Toni Rose's stomach as Sandy Parker increases pressure on armstretch.



WHEN THE IDEA for mixed matches was first proposed, many critics objected to the idea of putting midgets in with non-midget wrestlers. The reason was obvious. If a midget wound up wrestling a non-midget—the midget wrestler would probably get wiped out.

However, most midget wrestlers, anxious for the chance to show what they could do against non-midget wrestlers, didn't believe a word of it. "Give us a chance," they said. "Then, if it doesn't work out, you haven't lost anything."

The midgets were given a few chances. And now critics are wondering if the midgets are too good for the non-midget wrestlers. And

one match that made them wonder was a girls' tag team mixed match between Sandy Parker and Darling Dagmar against Toni Rose and Diamond Lil.

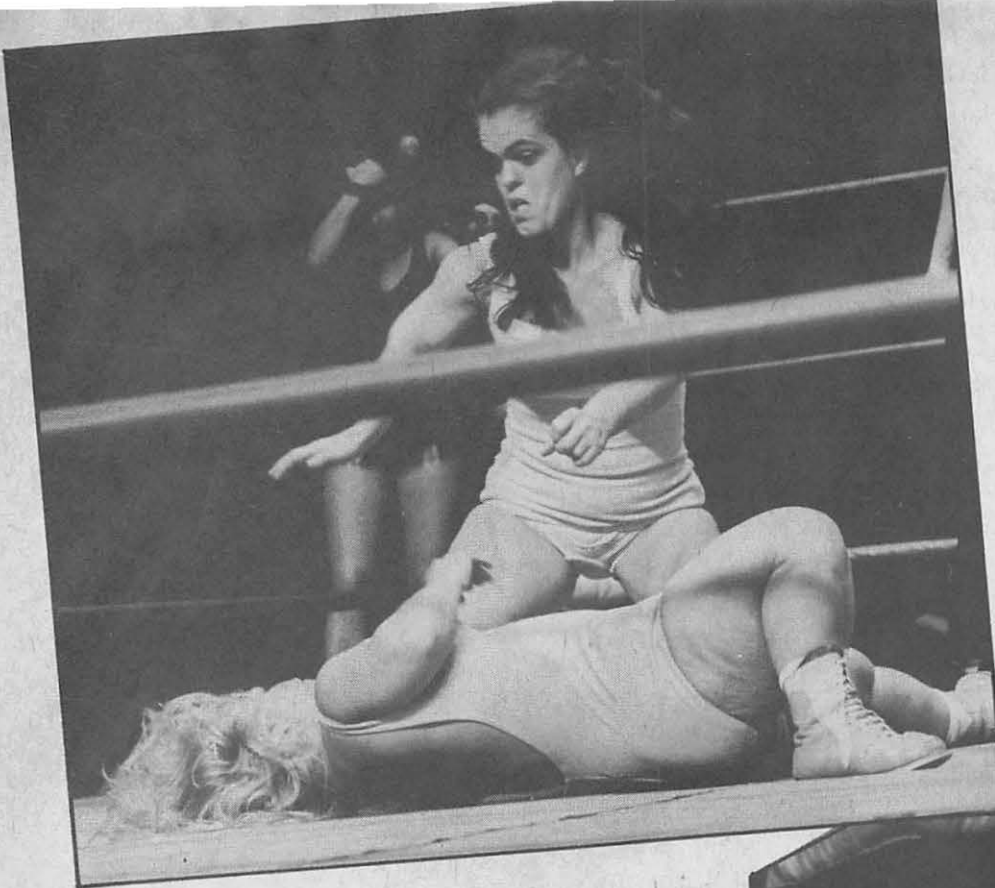
Sandy and Toni are two of the most talented girls ever to step into a ring. And while they had their problems trying to subdue each other—it was Dagmar and Lil who made the difference.

"When we were discussing the match," Sandy told us, "I suggested to Dagmar that we try to create a situation where I would be wrestling against Lil. I figured my weight and strength advantage would mean an easy pin. But Dagmar told me that was exactly what we shouldn't try to do. And her explanation made



Dagmar comes in for a rear end landing on Toni Rose while Sandy Parker keeps Rose flat on her back by holding her legs over the bottom rope. Dagmar's strategy of her opening the match against Toni was very successful.





Diamond Lil tries for a pin, but Darling Dagmar is too fast for her. Lil finally got a chance to get after Dagmar when Toni, who ran herself into a frazzle chasing the midget, managed to tag her. Toni thought she'd have an easy time but quickly found out the advantage does not always go to the bigger person.

sense."

"I explained to Sandy," Dagmar said, "that many holds and moves she usually uses wouldn't work against a midget. For example, Sandy has one of the best dropkicks in the sport. But if she tried it on Diamond Lil, the odds were that she'd miss her completely and land flat on her back. She would have to aim her jump much lower to hit her and the target she'd be aiming at would be so much smaller. That's only one example."

According to Dagmar, the midgets would be just too fast for the non-midgets to handle, too small to employ any "flying" holds and, unbelievable as it sounds, strong enough to offset any strength holds.

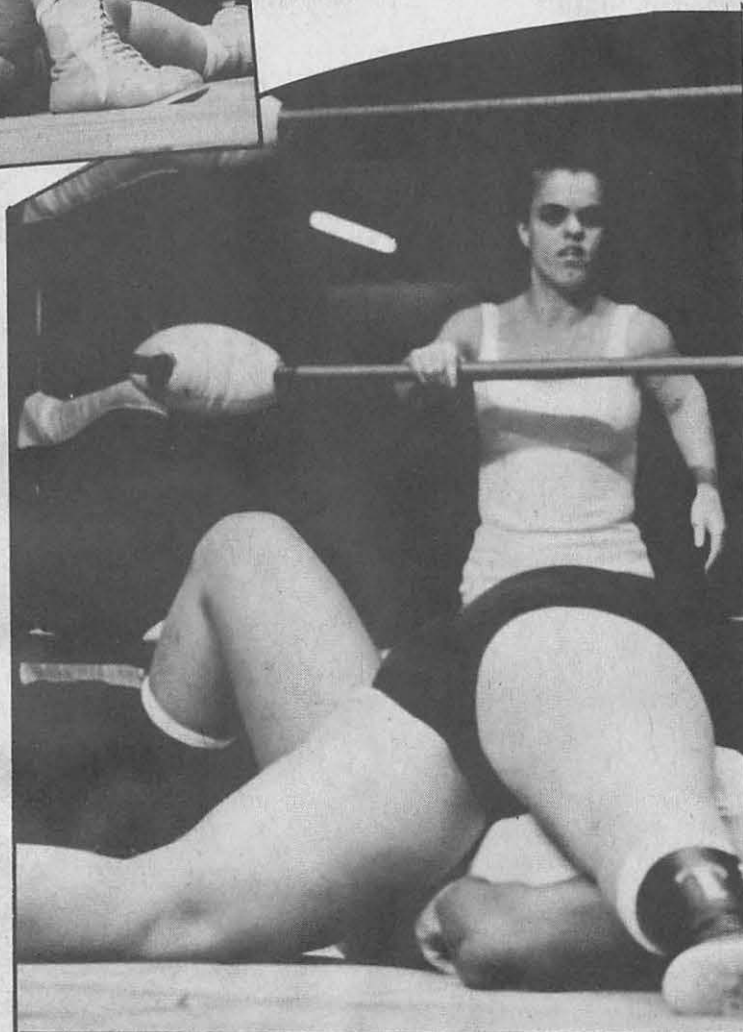
"The key to this match," Dagmar explained, "is to let me start off against Toni Rose. This would give them the matchup they'd want and Toni would be so frustrated at not being able to put any holds on me it would give us a big psychological advantage."

The more Sandy listened the more Dagmar made sense. What Dagmar was telling her, in essence, was that in a mixed match the midgets have the advantage!

Sandy and Dagmar set about trying to prove this strange point early, Sandy started off against Toni, but was in the ring only long enough to tag off to Dagmar. When Toni Rose saw this she almost did a backflip. She figured Sandy Parker had lost her mind.

With a smile on her face, Toni went after Dagmar... and went after Dagmar... and went after Dagmar. She couldn't catch her! Toni tried a flying headscissors. All she scissored was air. And when she finally got close enough to Dagmar to clamp on a hold—the midget hoisted Toni up in the air and bodyslammed her to the mat.

Dagmar tagged off to Sandy and she



continued the onslaught. By this time, Toni was so confused, Sandy had little trouble taking the first fall

The crowd was buzzing at Sandy and Dagmar's tactics. Like Toni, it had figured that if a midget and non-midget wound up in the ring the advantage would be all for the non-midget.

The second fall, however, Rose and Lil caught on to what Sandy and Dagmar were doing, and tried to make sure that the same thing didn't

If Toni Rose appears to be stunned, it's because Darling Dagmar is literally flying past her. Toni tried every way she knew to get her hands on the midget during the first fall, but Dagmar proved more elusive than a mosquito. Her speed was too much for Toni to cope with and when Dagmar tagged off to Sandy Parker, Toni was ready to be taken.



Toni Rose pins Sandy Parker to win the second fall after Lil flattened Sandy with a flying dropkick. After her problems against Dagmar in the first stanza, Toni wanted to wrestle somebody her own size and got in when Sandy did. That plan worked, but both teams were reluctant to send anybody out for the final fall until they knew who the other team would send out. For a while it seemed as if nobody would come out.

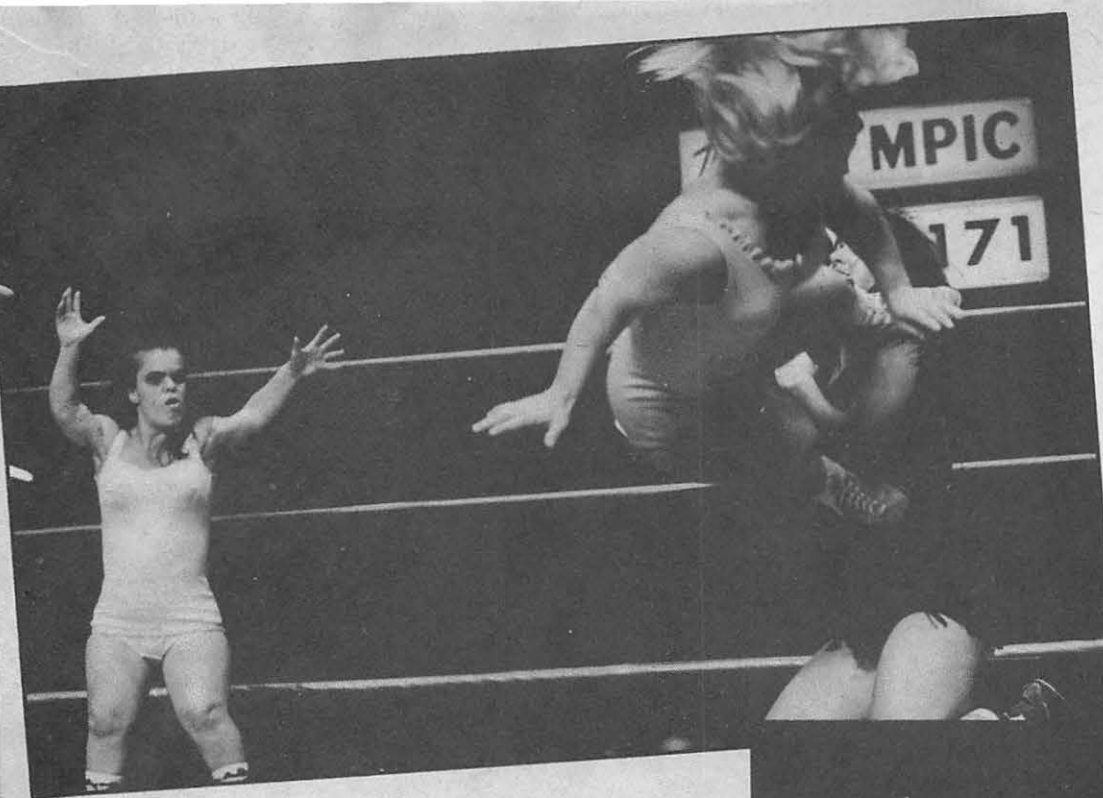
happen again. Lil started off against Dagmar and Toni would not tag her partner unless Dagmar had tagged Sandy.

Since Sandy, according to plan, was not going to get into the ring against Diamond Lil, and since Toni didn't want any part of Dagmar, the two midgets battled for almost 10 minutes during the second fall without tagging off. Finally, they both did, and Sandy and Toni went at it again.

By this time, Toni had recovered from her

first fall surprise and went after Sandy with a vengeance. She continually ripped punches to Sandy's stomach, stomped on her and dragged her by her hair. When she whipped her into the corner, Diamond Lil was ready with a dropkick which she planted squarely on Sandy's face. Toni applied the pin and the match was tied at one fall each.

The strategy sessions in the corners between falls were as animated as the action in the ring had been. Neither team wanted to send anyone



Referee Ann Casey declares Darling Dagmar and Sandy Parker the winners as a dazed Toni Rose struggles to her feet. Dagmar's airplane spin and body slam slowed Toni and she tagged Sandy who came in with the finishing touches.

out until the other did. Finally, Dagmar went out and so did Diamond Lil. But before long, everybody was in the ring, and Dagmar again went after Toni. A flying dropkick decked Toni and an airplane spin had her in bad shape. Dagmar tagged off to Sandy Parker who went in for the pin, but Lil charged out of her corner and decked Sandy with a dropkick.

In came Dagmar to chase Diamond Lil out. Again she lifted Toni in an airplane spin and again she slammed her to the mat. She tagged off to Sandy who took over where Dagmar had left off. Except this time, when Sandy applied a body press, Darling Dagmar stood on her back waving a fist at Diamond Lil who was ready to charge in again.

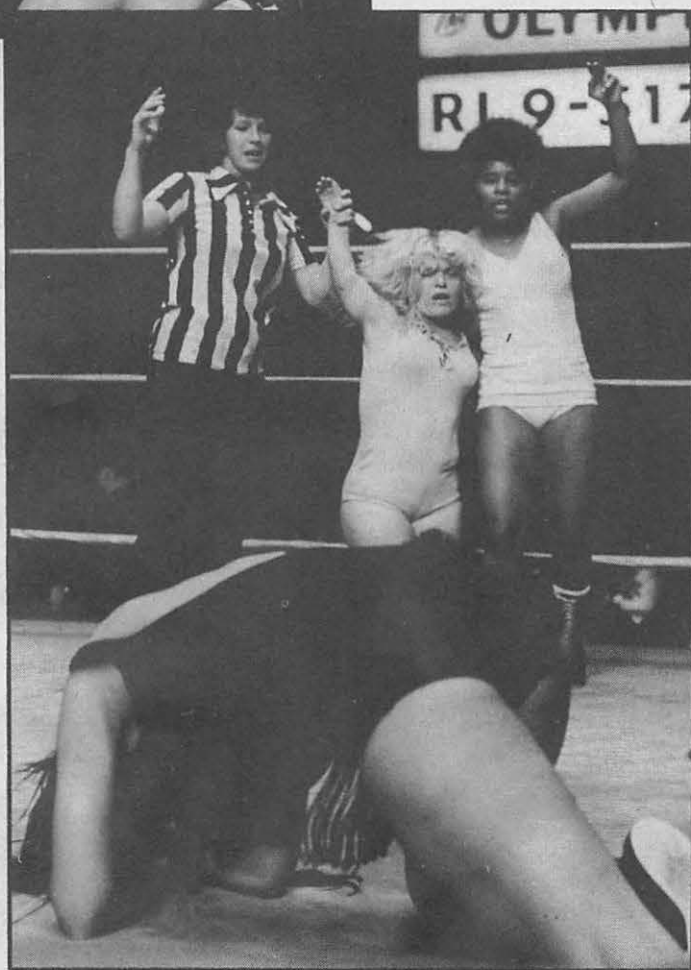
Lil charged, but it was too late. The count was over, and in her anger she wound up slugging Toni Rose instead of her opponents. And Toni, who had just lived through one of her most unbelievable nights, just sat on the canvas and shook her head.

"See," pointed out Dagmar, "I told you. The strategy worked. I knew it would. Remember, midgets are used to living in a big world, although previously we've wrestled only other midgets. The bigger people have never had to adapt to a small world. And when they try they find it difficult.

"The only time a midget is in his own world, so to speak, is when he's wrestling. At other times, he adapts. That's why we're so strong. We have to lift regular-sized suitcases, work out with the same gym equipment as other wrestlers and so on. So wrestling non-midgets is not as much of an unusual situation for us as wrestling midgets is for a non-midget."

"I certainly learned a lesson tonight," Sandy Parker added. "If you would have told me that

Diamond Lil tries to warn Toni Rose, but it's too late as Darling Dagmar barrels into Toni with a devastating flying dropkick. Explaining her success against non-midget wrestlers, Dagmar noted that midgets must always cope with a larger world so they're used to it while non-midget wrestlers have to cope with a small world only when in a ring.

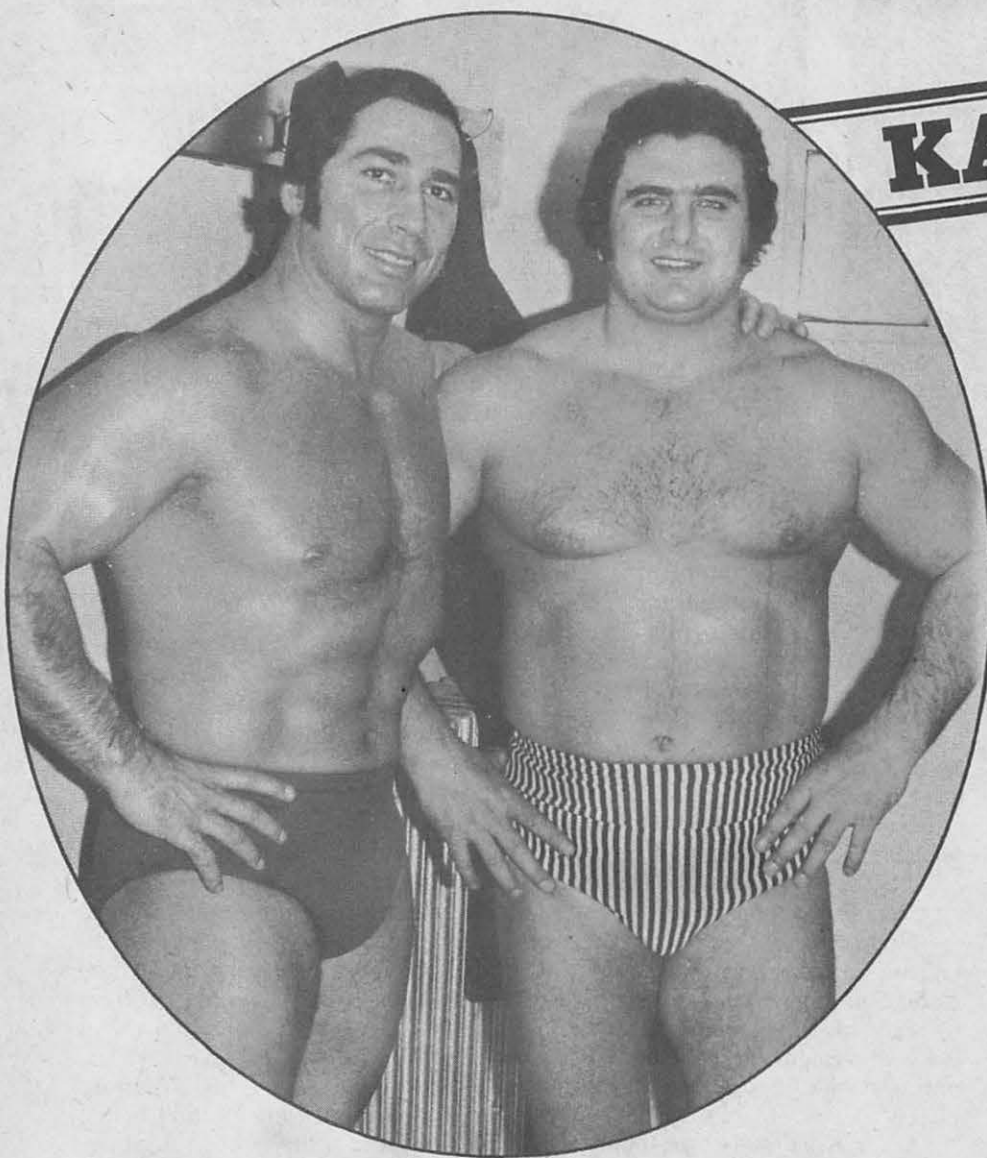


a midget wrestler has an advantage in a mixed match I'd have told you that you were nuts. But I think we proved Dagmar's point tonight. Toni Rose can handle any girl wrestler around. She knows her stuff. But a midget stopped her—and when I was in against Diamond Lil she drove me crazy.

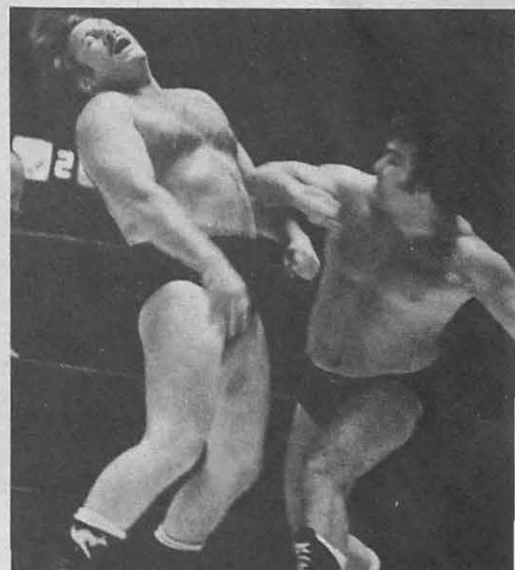
So the next time you see a mixed match in which a midget winds up against a non-midget wrestler—don't feel sorry for the midget wrestler. It may just be that the non-midget is the one who's at a disadvantage! □

SEVEN WAYS TO SKIN A

KANGAROO



Tony Marino and Tony Parisi—the Italians—gave the Fabulous Kangaroos the worst night of their lives, even though the match ended in a draw. But Parisi and Marino are convinced they can beat the champions...and they may have devised the perfect plan to do it.

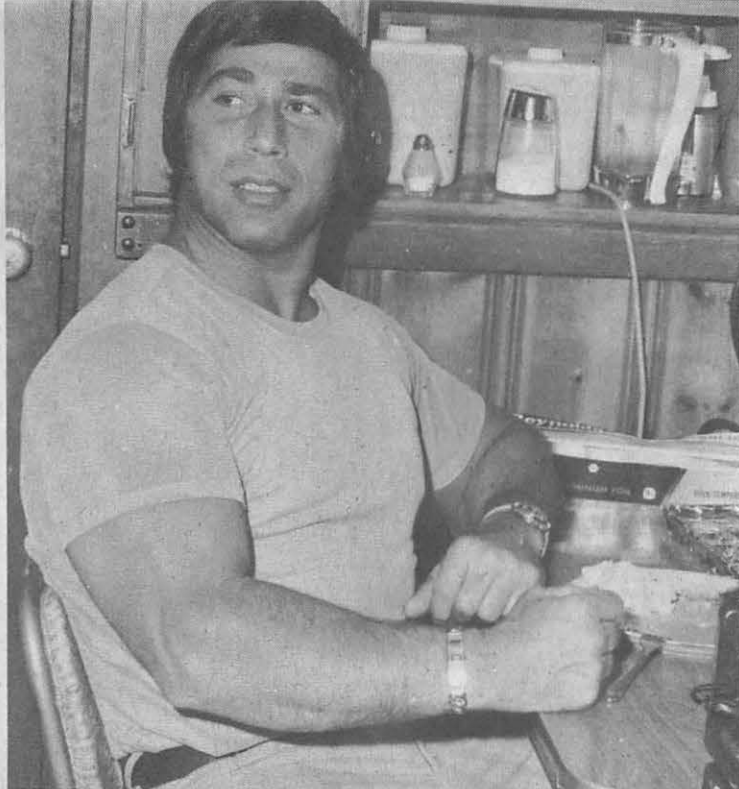


Tony Parisi slugs Kangaroo Don Kent (above) during their match in Toronto. Left: Parisi (in striped trunks) and Marino called themselves "The Italians" so the Kangaroos would think they were some new European tag team.

IF ANY TEAM can take the Fabulous Kangaroos' newly-won N.W.A. tag team championship it may well be the exciting new combination "the Italians"—Tony Marino and Tony Parisi.

In fact, no team has ever given the men from "Down Under" the wrestling lesson Parisi and Marino did in Toronto not too long ago. It wasn't a title match, but since Parisi and Marino were told a good showing might lead to a title match, they wrestled as if the world championship were indeed at stake.

"We've been trying to get a title



Parisi (left) and Marino (above) worked out a step-by-step plan of action to use against the Fabulous Kangaroos. The men from "Down Under" were lucky to get a draw.

match with those Kangaroos," Tony Marino said, "but their manager, Cry-baby Cannon, has refused, saying we weren't good enough. He said we hadn't beaten anybody of importance. So we gave him a list of the wrestlers we beat. He still said the same thing. No matter who we mentioned he said they weren't 'important' enough. It was obvious he was ducking us. If we'd have told him we defeated Dory Funk Jr., Pedro Morales and The Sheik in the same bout he would have said they weren't important enough."

Since Cannon absolutely refused to give Marino and Parisi a title shot—"the Italians" were invented, Parisi explained it this way:

"The only team we could beat which Cannon would admit was important would be the Kangaroos themselves. But we knew Cannon would never give us the match. So we asked the promoter to bill us as 'the Italians,' a new tag team, and

to try and get us a match against the Kangaroos. When Cannon came into town to book some matches, the promoter asked him if he wanted his wrestlers to wrestle 'the Italians.'

"Cannon said he never heard of them and was told they were a new, young, up-and-coming team. That made Cannon happy. He doesn't like to book his Kangaroos against anybody who might be trouble. So Cannon agreed to a one-fall, 15-minute match.

"About two days before the match, Cannon came storming into the promoter's office yelling that he was cheated. He saw the newspaper advertisements for the upcoming show and the ads said that the Italians were Tony Marino and Tony Parisi. 'They tricked me!' Cannon hollered. 'For that they must suffer!' The promoter told me he could hardly keep a straight face. Cannon really cried, but there was nothing he could do. The match was signed and if he

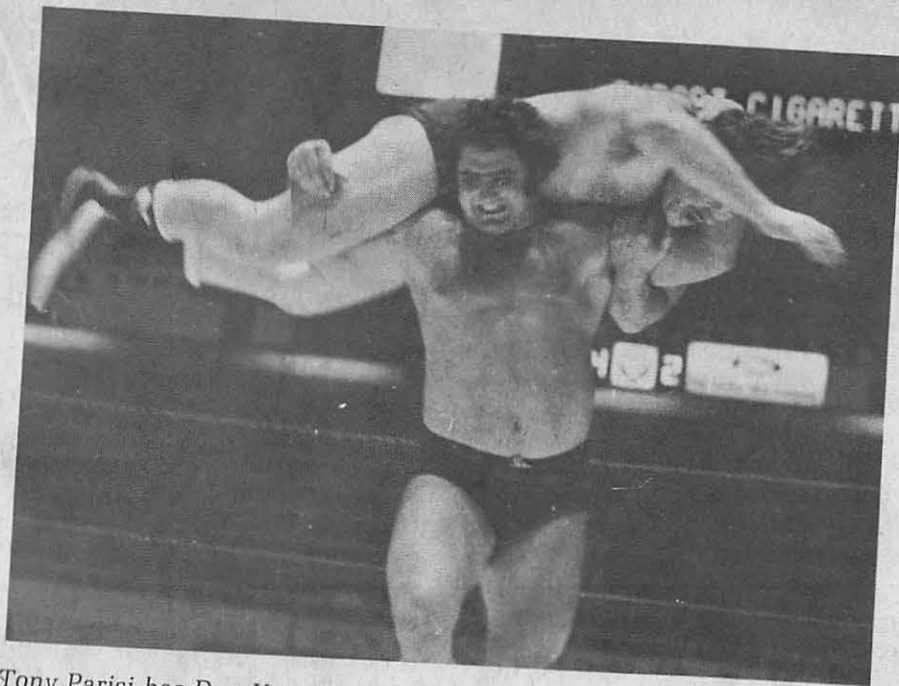
backed out he'd get hit with a tremendous fine. That's how we finally got the match."

But getting the match and winning the match are two different things. The Italians knew they had to give a spectacular performance to force a title match. And after Cannon told the Kangaroos what happened—Al Costello and Don Kent would be out for blood!

"We were sitting in a motel room watching the Monday night football game," remembers Marino, "and at halftime they showed the highlights of the other games that weekend. That's when it hit me. If we could get hold of films of some of the Kangaroos' matches and study them—it would have to be an advantage. So we called promoters all over the country asking for prints. The phone bill alone must have been a few hundred dollars. But we got the films and studied them for hours and hours. Tony took notes on everything we thought would help us. When we compiled the information and boiled it down there turned out to be seven basic fundamentals for us to concentrate on."

"The best thing the Kangaroos have going for them is their fantastic teamwork," Parisi said, going over the details. "If we were to have any hope of beating them, the first thing we had to do was cut off their fast tags. If we could do that—we had a chance.

"Point two was the corners. The Kangaroos are most dangerous in the

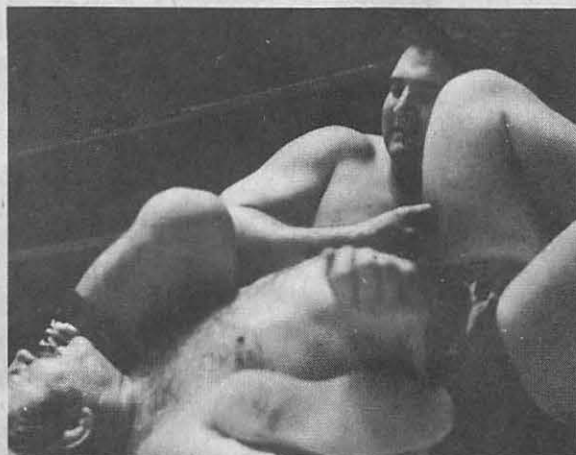


Tony Parisi has Don Kent in an Airplane Spin, one of the holds he and Marino knew would work against the Kangaroos. But Tony's attempt at a pin came to no avail when Al Costello ran into the ring to kick him.



Parisi flips Kent into a reverse cradle for a pin. But Al Costello upset the hold when the referee counted to "two."

Parisi's bodyscissors has Don Kent in danger, but Kent quickly got out of it by reversing the hold into a head-scissors. Luckily, Parisi was close enough to his corner to tag off to Tony Marino.



corners. We had to stay out of there at all costs. The third point was stamina. Because of their heavy schedule as champions, the Kangaroos have built up tremendous staying power. These guys are in shape. We had to make sure, therefore, that both of us were ready to go for an hour—non-stop—even though the match would be only 15 minutes or less. The Kangaroos don't stop for a second.

"Fourth was finding counters for their three best holds, the Boomerang, the Claw hold, which they call the 'Koala Clutch,' and the Back-breaker. So actually, these are points four, five and six. We discovered that they win 95 percent of all their matches with one of these three holds! If we could come up with counterholds—it would force them to use a new finishing hold, something they'd be uncomfortable with.

Point seven was timing. What makes the Kangaroos so tough is their fantastic timing. Each one seems to know exactly what the other will do before he does it. This proved to be the most difficult of all, and I can't really say we succeeded on this one. The only way we could throw their timing off would be to slow things down. But that would affect our style as well."

The next thing the Italians needed were a pair of fast wrestlers who would imitate the Kangaroos' moves during gym workouts. They asked Carlos Rocha, the very popular Portuguese champion, and Ben Justice, who had his own score to settle with the Kangaroos. It was Justice and his partner, the Stomper, who the Kangaroos defeated in a tournament to win the world title. Justice and Rocha were happy to help. They looked at

the films, studied the seven points, and worked out with Marino and Parisi.

"The funny part," recalls Marino, "was when we asked them to try the rough stuff. Both Carlos and Ben are scientific wrestlers, but we explained that the Kangaroos didn't always rely on science. They felt bad about it but they slugged us around and stomped us pretty good."

The night of the match finally came upon the Italians and, if nothing else, no team had ever gone in against the Fabulous Kangaroos better prepared. And as the match developed, each point Marino and Parisi had discovered came up—and was covered. The fast tags were eliminated by forcing either Costello or Kent to the canvas for long periods of time away from their corner. This also took care of the problem of getting trapped in the opposing corners. In addition, each time the Kangaroos did tag off—so did the Italians. They always had a fresh man ready.

At about the five-minute mark, Al
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More than 25,000 fans were turned away as Bruno Sammartino celebrated his triumphant return to California after a five-year absence. And what a return it was!

IT HAPPENS EVERY year. And every year it gets wilder and wilder. But this year, Olympic Auditorium promoter Mike Lebell's famous 22-man Battle Royal had an added attraction that resulted in a capacity crowd of 11,772, three jammed closed circuit theater outlets, and almost 25,000 people be-

ing turned away!

The attraction? Bruno Sammartino, coming out of semi-retirement, to battle in his first Battle Royal ever!

Bruno had been away from the Los Angeles area for more than five years, and when word of his appearance on the card got out,

the Olympic ticket sellers were simply swamped.

"We could have sold three times the number of tickets for this one," said one Olympic spokesman. "Once the word got out that Sammartino was coming in—it seemed everybody in L.A. wanted a ticket."

And those lucky enough to get in were not disappointed. Sammartino battled 21 other wrestlers to win the extravaganza—much to the delight of the West Coast fans.

"This is the greatest," said one fan, standing with his 13-year-old

BRUNO SAMMAR

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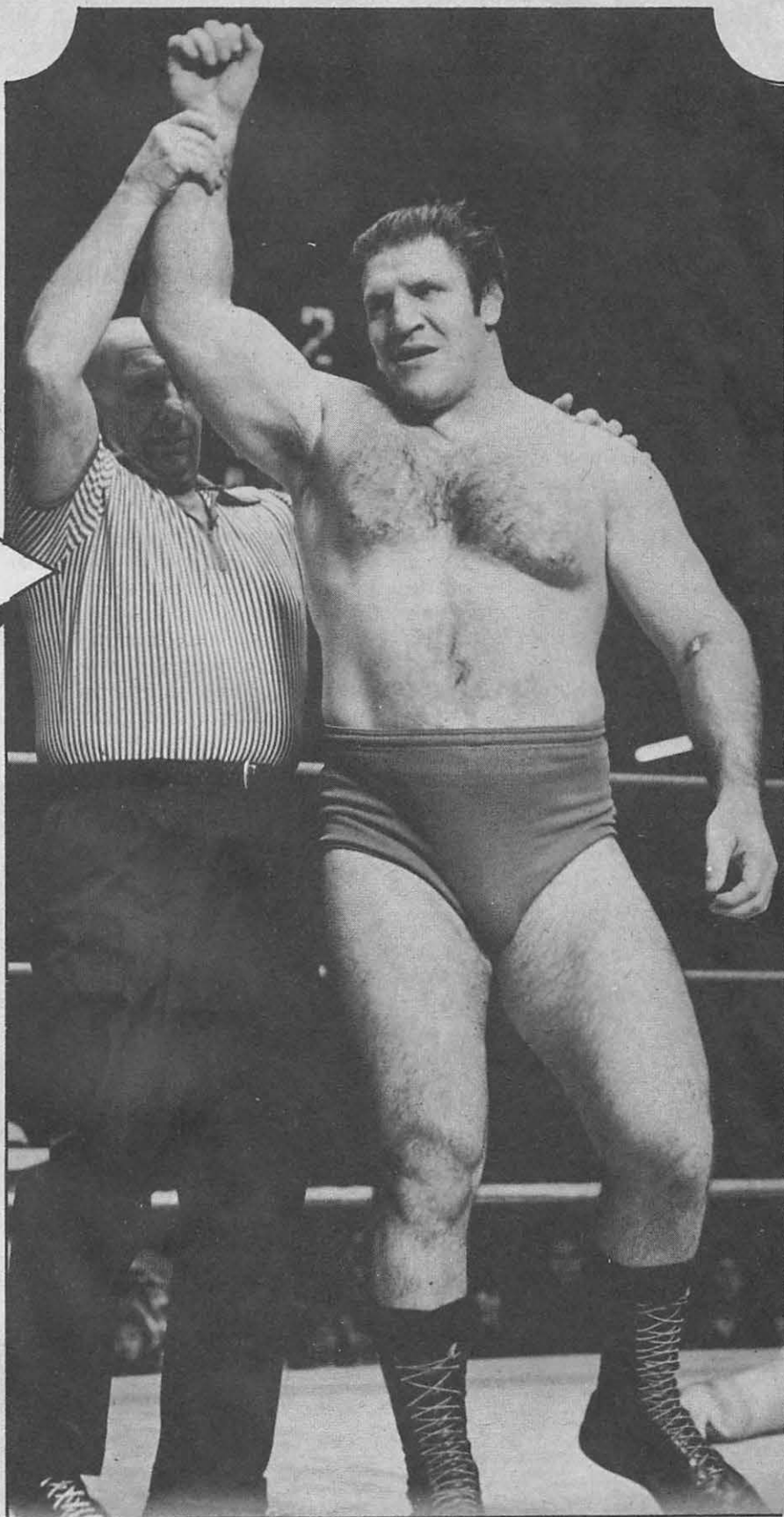


son. "For the past few years, ever since my boy has gotten interested in wrestling, he has been reading about Bruno Sammartino. I don't know how many times Bruno has been on the cover of your magazines. My boy asked me if this guy was really that good. Well, tonight everybody found out. Bruno's still the greatest!"

Although Sammartino was the headliner, there were 21 other top wrestlers just itching to get their hands on the former champion. And at some point during the

TINO

IGHT!



The beginning and the end. Olympic ring announcer Jimmy Lennon introduces the 22 participants in the Battle Royal (left). When the smoke clears (above), the referee holds up the arm of the winner, Bruno Sammartino, participating in his first Battle Royal ever! Sammartino finished off Ripper Collins to take the first prize money of \$11,000.

Battle Royal, it seemed that every one took a shot at Sammartino.

The list of participants was awesome. First there were the veterans of Battle Royals past . . . like former Battle Royal champion Rocky Johnson, Mil Mascaras, John Tolos, Kenji Shibuya, Earl Maynard, Massa Saito, and the notorious team of Black Gordman and Goliath. There were faces new to the annual Battle Royal as well . . . like King Krow, Cowboy Frankie Laine, Raul Mata, Francisco Flores, Salvator Lothario, Wildman Armstrong and Peace Brother #1. And to round it out, Lebell invited Haystack Calhoun, Dutch Savage, Dory Dixon, Pantera Negra, Tony Rocco, Ripper Collins and, of course, Bruno. As usual, Lebell remembered to invite arch enemies—rivals who use the Battle Royal to settle long-standing feuds and turn them into nothing less than legalized gang wars.

It took announcer Jimmy Lennon almost 10 minutes to introduce all the combatants. But it took

much longer to get rid of all the wrestlers until only two—Bruno Sammartino and Ripper Collins—remained.

Rivalries figured to be settled early. Fans knew that Black Gordman and Goliath would go after Shibuya and Saito—a pair they hate. But would they get them before Earl Maynard and Rocky Johnson disposed of Goliath and Gordman?

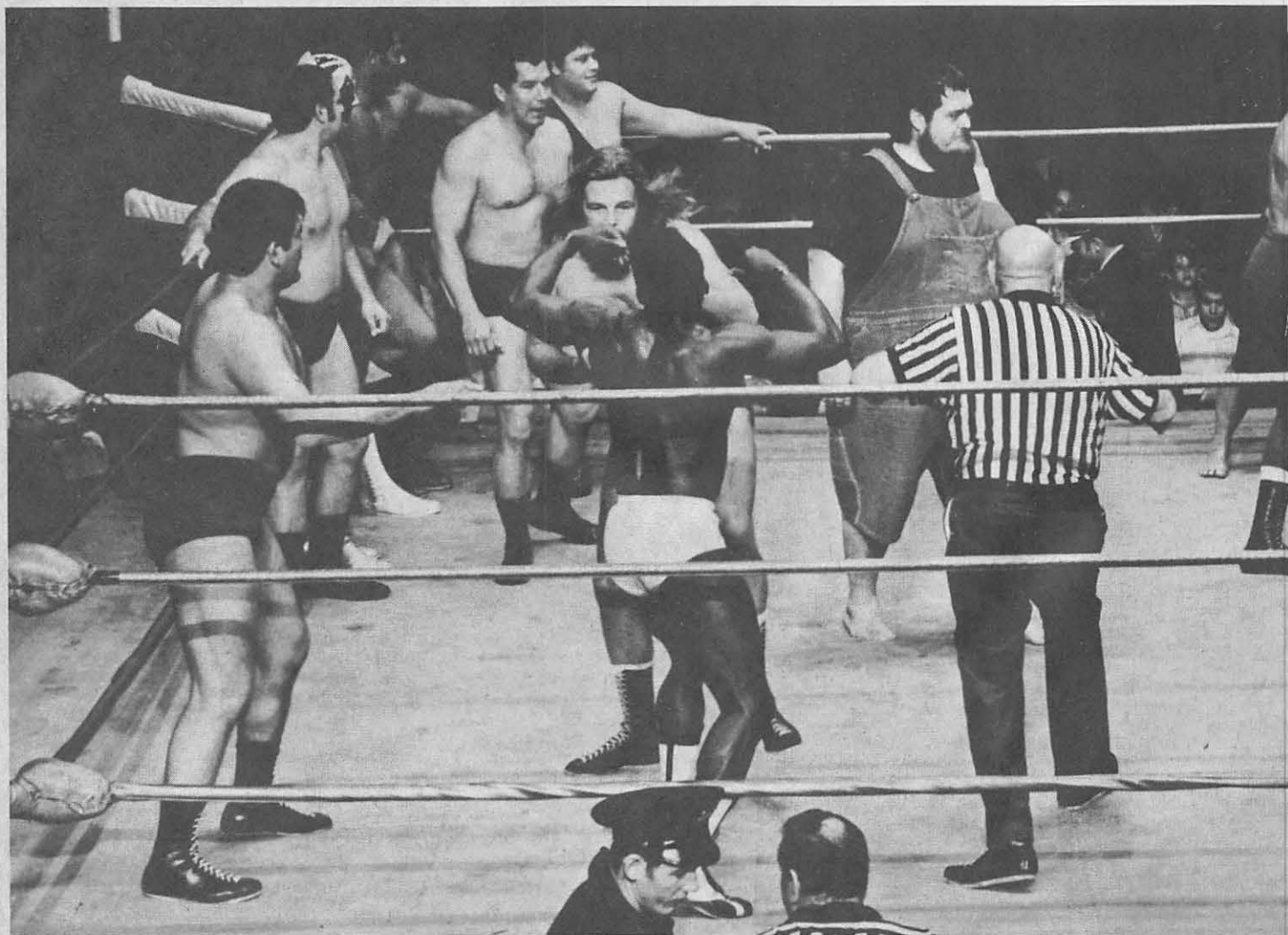
John Tolos and Mil Mascaras figured to be straining at the bit to get at each other while Tony Rocco had a few scores to settle with Dutch Savage. And as the wrestlers waited for the bell, each one seemed to be eying his victim, while at the same time being eyed as somebody else's victim.

If there would have been a prize awarded to the most active wrestler—Dutch Savage would have won in a walk. Dutch belted everyone in sight as soon as the bell rang, and was personally responsible for the elimination of six wrestlers!

Savage began . . . well . . . savage-

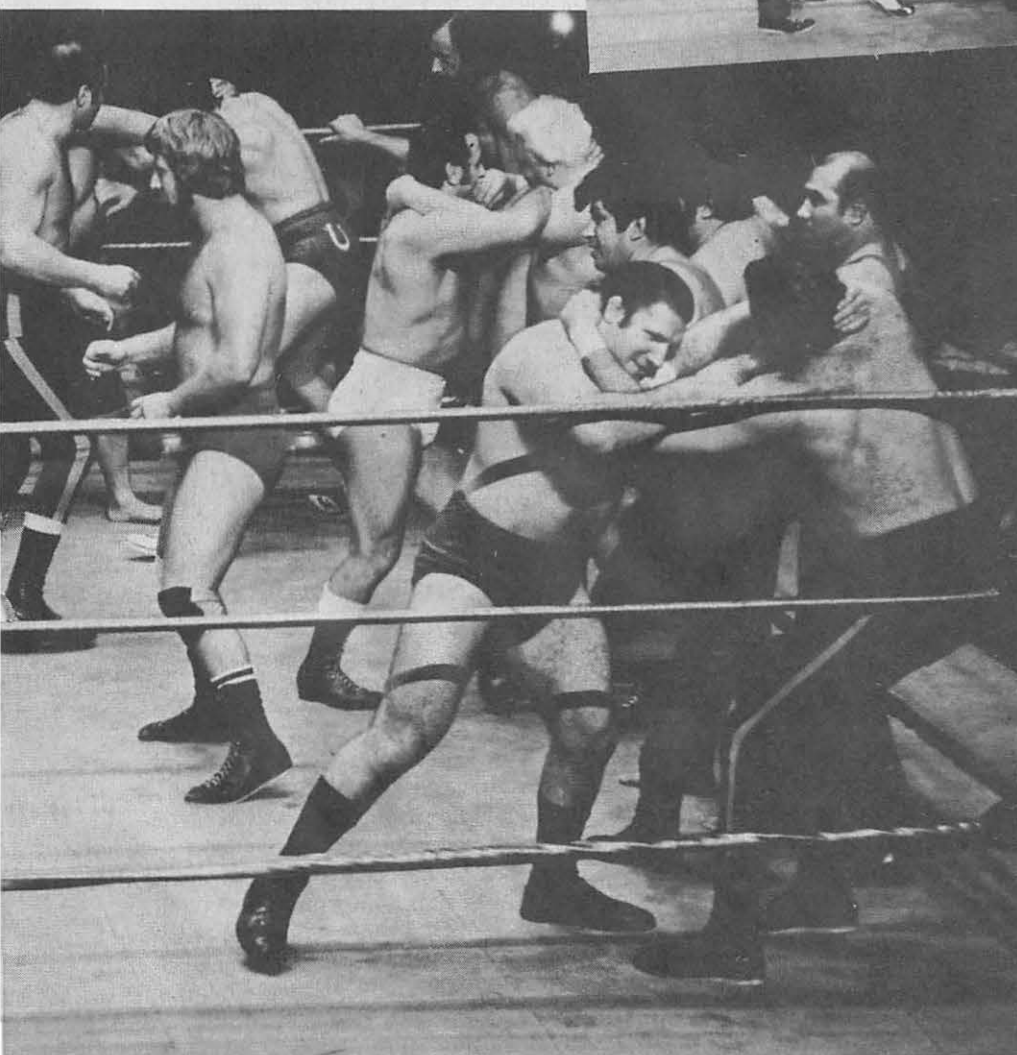
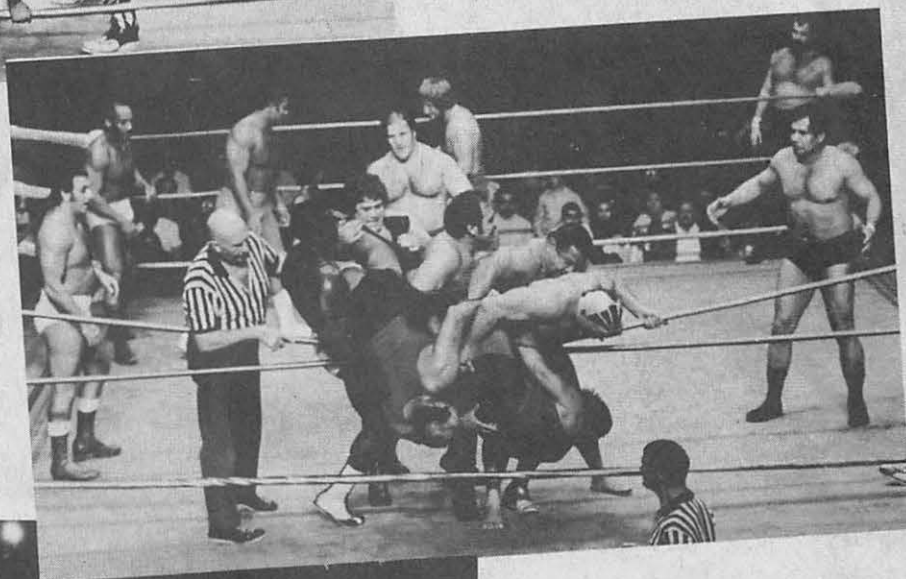
ly, going after Peace Brother #1 and giving him the ignominious honor of being the first to go. It figured. Savage just can't stomach anything that has to do with peace. While he was busy with him, Gordman and Goliath, as everyone figured, headed right for the Japanese duo and recreated one of the many wars these villains have fought with each other. Salvator Lothario and La Pantera Negra double-teamed Wildman Armstrong, but were only half successful. Armstrong was through, but he took Negra with him, with a hidden bit of help from Negra's friend, Raul Mata, who later said it had been "a kick" helping Armstrong dump his buddy.

The most humorous incident centered around 620-pound Haystack Calhoun. Haystack didn't have to chase anybody. He just stood there in mid-ring, watching wrestlers bounce off him in all directions. Nobody could budge him. It was Savage who came up with the idea of how to get rid of Cal-

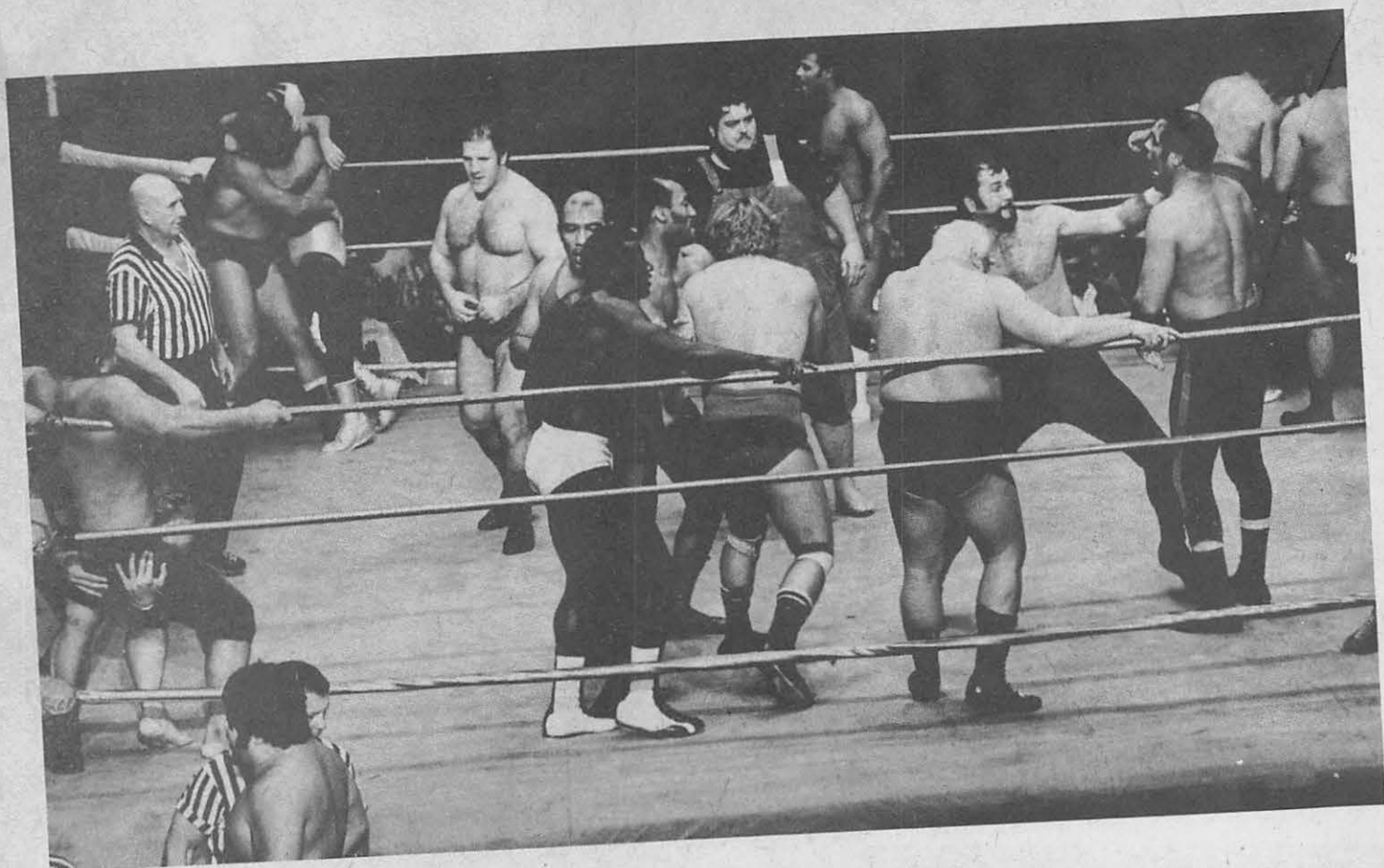




Action swirls to the near side (above) as Frankie Laine and Mil Mascaras try to haul Black Gordman over the top rope. Right: Goliath rushes in to help his partner, but so do Shibuya, Francisco Flores, Raul Mata and Dory Dixon. And as a result, Goliath joins his partner in a trip over the ropes.



No sooner has the bell sounded then they're at each other. While some of the wrestlers pick out one victim, others are slugging all over the place. The eventual winner, Bruno, is at bottom right corner of the picture, battling with Dutch Savage, who came very close to being the big winner. Other combatants are Wildman Armstrong, closing in on Earl Maynard; King Krow, eyeing Haystacks Calhoun; Tony Rocco, grappling with Ripper Collins, and John Tolos, heading for Cowboy Frankie Laine.

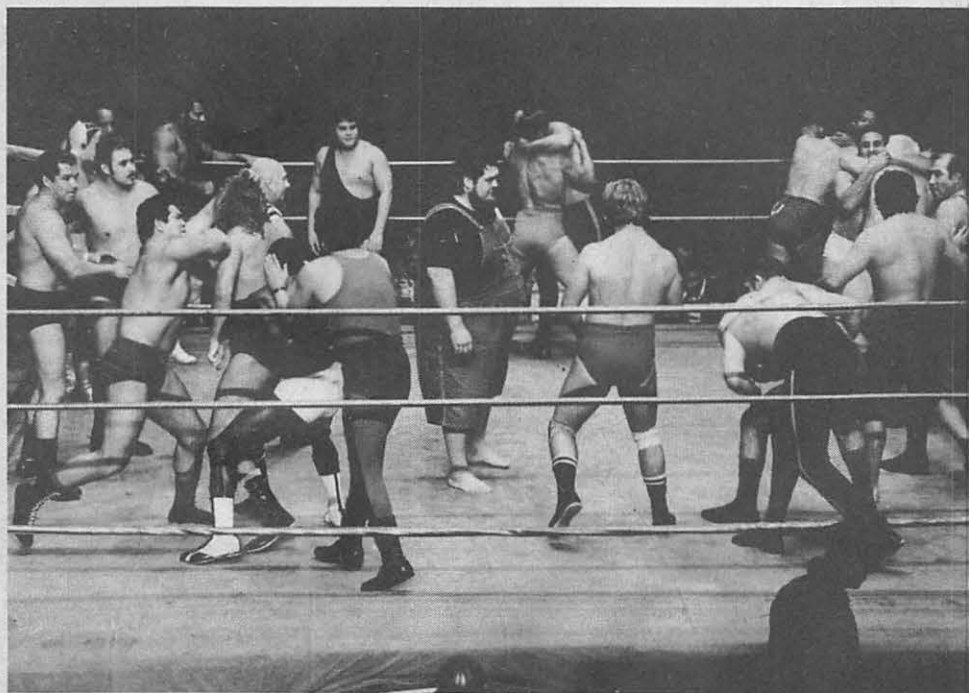


It looks like mass chaos (above), but you can pick out John Tolos getting slugged by Dutch Savage and Mil Mascaras grappling with King Krow. Right: All 22 men are at it early in the Battle Royal. And standing alone in the middle, like a mountain, is Haystacks Calhoun. It took a dozen men to eliminate him!

houn. He and Ripper Collins ducked down behind Calhoun's knees while Gordman, Goliath, Tolos and King Krow all charged. It worked. Haystack tumbled over backwards—and 12 wrestlers piled on him in the corner while the referee counted to three.

Wrestlers were flying around left and right. Mil Mascaras trapped King Krow in a corner and got rid of him, but then Mil joined one of the strangest alliances ever seen in a Battle Royal. He got together with Shibuya, of all people, but it was understandable. Shibuya, Dory Dixon, Raul Mata, Francisco Flores and Mil all ganged up on Goliath and Black Gordman.

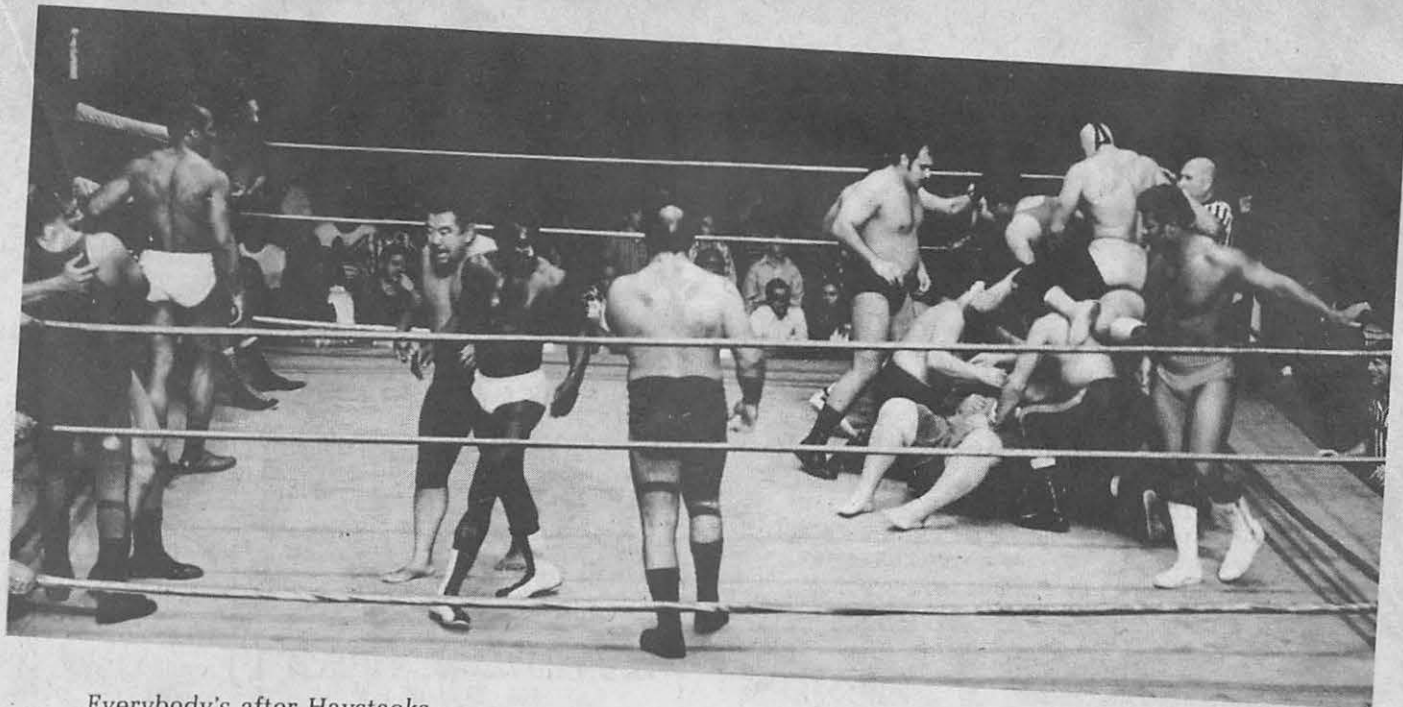
Goliath and Gordman stood



back-to-back for mutual protection, an old street fighting gimmick, but it did no good. Mascaras, Shibuya and Flores dumped Gordman over the top rope, and when Goliath turned around to pull his partner back, he was uplifted by Dixon and Mata. And Cowboy Frankie Laine, who had started the whole thing by dragging Gordman into the ropes, didn't even get in on the

fun of seeing Gordman topple out. He was lying in a corner, dazed by a savage karate chop from Shibuya, who paid his respects to Laine before joining the melee that eliminated Gordman and Goliath.

Throughout these shenanigans, a man who'd play a very important part in the Battle Royal before it would end, Ripper Collins, successfully avoided elimination by hiding



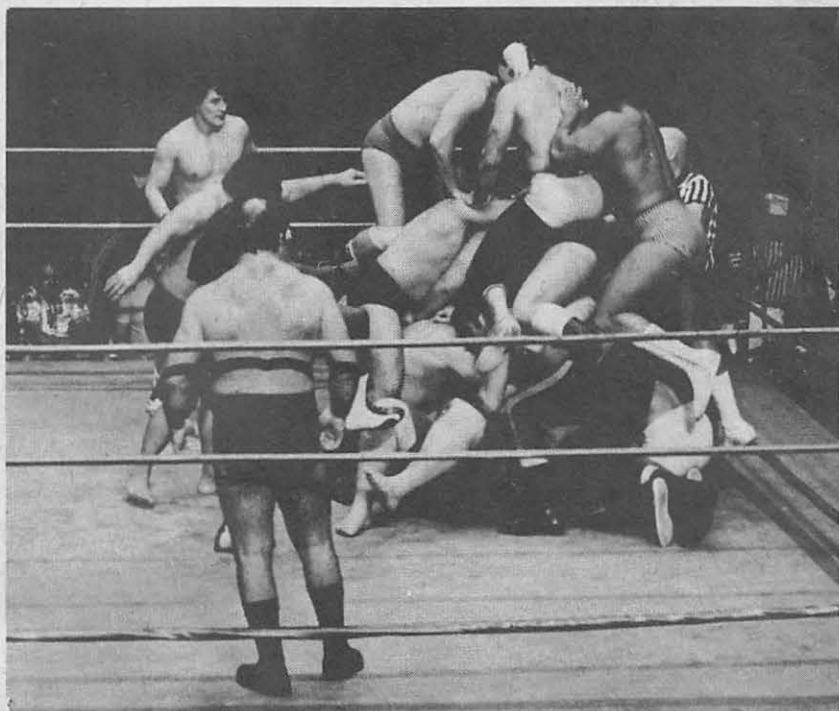
Everybody's after Haystacks (above) and Calhoun slowly disappears (right) under an ocean of bodies. It was Dutch Savage who came up with the idea of how to handle Calhoun.

whenever he could, avoiding contact with other wrestlers. At one time he even sneaked out of the ring—but was not seen leaving or returning.

John Tolos thought he'd found a friend when Dutch Savage helped John dump Mil Mascaras and then Francisco Flores, but Tolos was in turn belted silly by Savage, who really seemed to be enjoying himself. After Savage had taken care of the Golden Greek, he went after Shibuya, stomping on his bare feet with his heavy boots. When Kenji couldn't take anymore—a right to the jaw flattened him and Savage pinned him.

Dutch then took care of both Tony Rocco and Raul Mata while Bruno Sammartino and Salvator Lothario dumped the remaining Japanese contender—Saito. Savage went after Bruno, and while Sammartino's back was turned, up popped Ripper Collins, who almost tore Salvator Lothario's head off.

With the field substantially reduced, Collins made up for lost time and took out both Earl Maynard and Dory Dixon with a little help, of course, from Dutch Savage, who was everywhere. Meanwhile, Laine, who had never been counted out, revived and headed right for Dutch. It was a mistake.



Dutch ravaged the Cowboy and Laine looked like he'd reached the end of the trail.

He was saved, momentarily, by Rocky Johnson. But Johnson, Savage and Laine got all tangled up in a heap and rolled out of the ring and out of contention.

That left the two men who had been staging their own private war off in a corner—Sammartino and Ripper Collins. These two had been going at it like cavemen for about five minutes, not particularly interested in what was going on around them. Suddenly, they noticed they were the only ones left.

Bruno softened Ripper up with

a few bodyslams. It was the beginning of the end. Sammartino picked Collins up in his crushing bear hug, shaking him around like a pencil. Collins had no choice. He had to concede—and Bruno dropped him like a sack of wheat. It was all over. Bruno Sammartino was the champion—and \$11,000 winner—of the third annual Olympic Battle Royal!

"Man I'm glad Collins didn't win it," said Tony Rocco. "Did you see the way he hid during the match? Some guys will do anything for that kind of money. I'm glad Bruno gave it to him."

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NEW YORK REPORT

By Ed Manolio &
Nick Barese

Some 22,076 fans overflowed the interior of Madison Square Garden to witness Pedro Morales' W.W.W.F. title defense against Professor Toru Tanaka. But before the main event, mat buffs saw the return of some hated faces they hadn't seen in a few years—Pampero Firpo, Ernie Ladd and King Curtis.

Firpo made short work of Manny Soto as he downed the popular Latin star with his "Argentinian Backbreaker." King Curtis unmercifully beat the daylights out of Tomas Marin and scored successfully in his Garden return.

The man who captured everyone's fancy, however, was Sonny "Showboat" King. Together with Gorilla Monsoon, King wiped out the combo of "Handsome" Jimmy Valiant and Ernie Ladd.

Victor Rivera, no newcomer to any

eastern fan, scored a major upset when he stopped Stan "The Man" Stasiak. The end came for Stasiak when Victor delivered three dazzling dropkicks and then slid Stasiak into a cradle for the pin.

Coming one step closer to the main event, Fred Blassie was pitted against the East's most popular grappler, Chief Jay Strongbow. After much of the action took place outside the ring, the referee disqualified both contestants and the match was called a draw.

Finally, the main event—Pedro Morales vs. Toru Tanaka. It was quite obvious to the thousands of fans watching that Tanaka had hidden some of his ceremonial salt in his trunks for use later on in the match. But neither Pedro nor referee Dick Kroll were aware of that fact. Tanaka took an early advantage as he knocked Pedro breathless several times with a series of shattering karate thrusts. The professor tried his Sleeper hold many times, but Pedro was able to twist himself free from the Japanese star's clutches. After 10 minutes, Tanaka



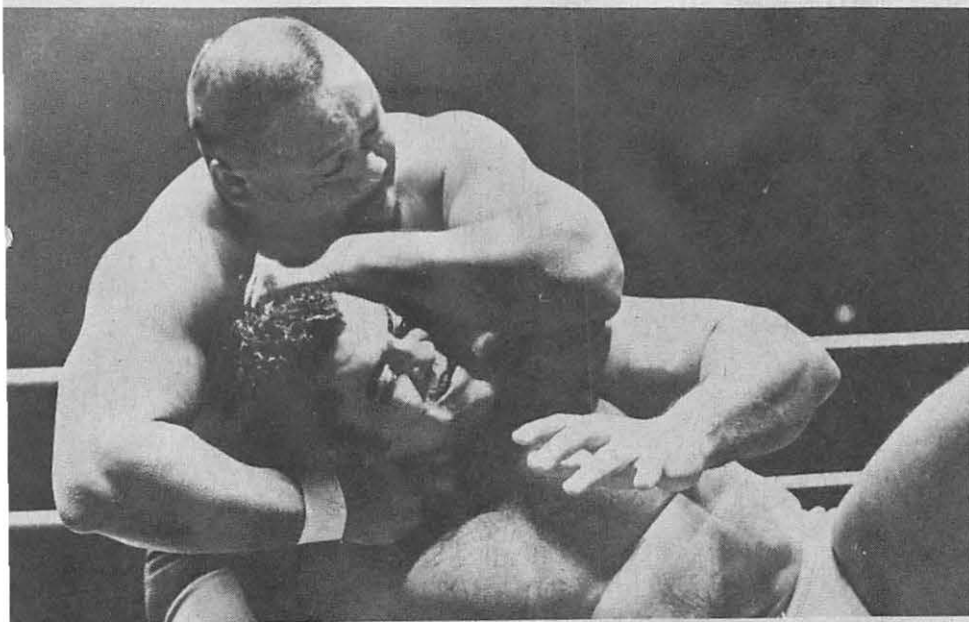
Popular Victor Rivera pulled off a major upset when his flying dropkicks spelled the end for Stan "The Man" Stasiak.

was continually trying to pin Pedro. But each time the count would reach "two," the champ would fling Tanaka off. Frustrated with his inability to finish Pedro off, Tanaka reached into his trunks, grabbed a handful of salt and flung it at Pedro's eyes. But the champ ducked and the salt hit referee Kroll in the eyes! Kroll immediately stopped the match and awarded it to the champ. A return bout, Texas Death Style, is next for Morales and Tanaka.

CANADA CALLING By Brian Gray & Bill Scott

The North American championship has changed hands four times in three weeks! At Calgary, Big John Quinn upset Angus Campbell to become the new champion. Three days later, Quinn's arm was broken in a tag team

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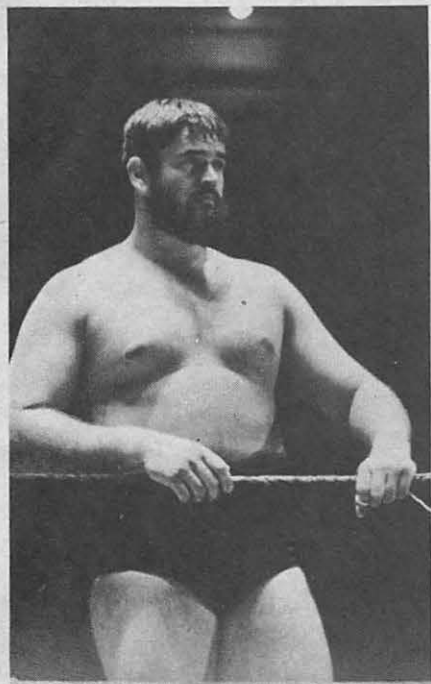
Professor Turo Tanaka provided a salty ending for his W.W.W.F. title match against Pedro Morales, but the referee did not appreciate it.

match by Kurt Von Hess. Canadian officials ruled that Quinn would have to return the title to its original owner—Campbell—because John would be unable to defend it with his broken arm. Disgustedly, Quinn turned the title over to Campbell. So, the title went from Angus to Quinn and very quickly, back to Angus.

The following week, Canadian football star Bob Lueck challenged Campbell. Campbell accepted—and lost the match! Now Bob Lueck was wearing the title belt!

The next week, Bob put his honors on the line against Kurt Von Hess. Guess what? You're right! Bob lost the match and the title changed hands again! At present, Von Hess is the North American Champion. Let's hope he can hold on to it for a couple of weeks!

The Sheik met Louis Martinez in a wild brawl at Toronto's Maple Leaf Gardens. But The Sheik's manager,



Big John Quinn didn't have too much time to savor his North American Championship belt.

Abdullah Farouk, had more trouble on his hands than Sheik did in the ring. So Farouk wouldn't interfere in the bout—as he usually does—he was handcuffed to Martinez's friend and frequent tag team partner, Lord Layton.

When the bell rang, Louis bombarded Sheik with flying dropkicks, arm drags and body blocks. At one point, Louis charged off the ropes wildly, trying to knock The Sheik unconscious with body blocks. But The Sheik, using his crafty tactics, also began catapulting himself off the ropes, hoping to catch Martinez with

a fatal body block. After a minute or so of doing this, they collided! The Sheik was knocked to center ring, but Martinez was thrown clear out of the squared circle. Louis failed to return by the 10 count and was disqualified.

When Farouk tried to get into the ring to see if Sheik was okay, Layton refused—he wanted to go the other way—to Louis. So the skinny Farouk tried to drag Layton into the ring. What a joke—he couldn't even *budge* the Lord. With a small jerk of his wrist, Layton dragged Farouk around to the side of the ring where Louis was. Quickly, officials ran to that spot to unlock Layton and Farouk. Farouk ran to his Sheik and Layton helped Louis back to the dressing room. But before he could get there, Sheik attacked Layton, ripped his shirt off and began eating it! Layton slugged Sheik and sent him storming back to the dressing room. Layton has challenged Sheik to a match and the mysterious man from the Middle East has accepted.

Other exciting bouts: Baron Von Raschke stopped Moose Cholak... The Polish Giant was too much for Johnny Kace... Niccoli Volkoff made an impressive return to Detroit by knocking off Gil Guererro... Jim Alexi beat Ricky Cortez by disqualification... Angelo Poffo slammed Frankie Adonis... Paula Steele and Mary Jane Mull beat Venus LaRue and Donna La-menke.

MATSIDE OHIO By Dave Allison

It's not news to any wrestling fan that Mighty Igor and Pampero Firpo hate each other's guts. Well, they finally had a chance to settle their long feud at a recent show in Dayton.

Igor was already in the ring, and his manager, Ivan Kalmikoff, was at ringside to witness the bout. As Igor

was signing autographs, Firpo stormed into the ring and attacked him behind his back! Firpo slugged away until Igor fell to the mat.

While he was slumped in his corner, Firpo sunk his razor-sharp teeth into Igor's forehead and bit away at his flesh. Blood started gushing from Igor's head. At this point, Ivan Kalmikoff ran into the ring to help Igor. But he, too, was flattened by the wild man.

Next, several wrestlers, who were watching the bout from the dressing room wings, stormed into the ring and there they took custody of Firpo and dragged him back to the dressing room. Igor crawled over to mid-ring and refused to leave until the promoter guaranteed him a return bout with Firpo within the next few weeks.

At Cincinnati, Bobo Brazil was disqualified in his match with The Sheik—that's a twist! The disqualification came when Bobo's friend, Tex McKenzie, ran in to help Bobo when the U.S. Champ was being fouled by Sheik. The referee said, "McKenzie's interference in the bout caused me to penalize Brazil."

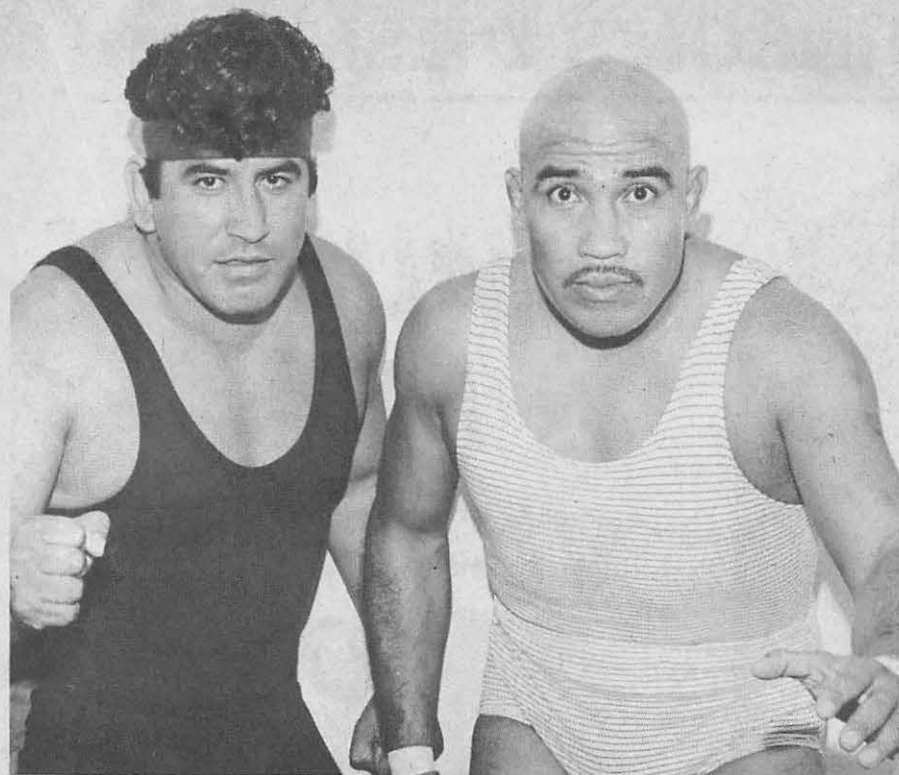
Other action saw The Kangaroos stop Haystack Calhoun and Ben Justice... Pampero Firpo upset Jess Ortega... Fred Curry stopped the New Zebra Kid... Hell's Angel wrestled to a draw with Lou Klein.

DETROIT ACTION By Don Keller

At the Olympia Auditorium, the Blackjacks—Mulligan and Lanza—had their hands full when they opposed Bruiser and Sailor Art Thomas. Before the match, Bobby Heenan told

Wildman Pampero Firpo launched a sneak attack on Mighty Igor and Igor has vowed vengeance!





The shocking news coming out of California is that Goliath and Black Gordman have split!

reporters "My sensational Blackjacks will have no trouble with the 'Floor Washer' and the 'Town Drunk.'"

Well, the Blackjacks did beat the team of Bruiser and Thomas—but not without a good deal of trouble. Bruiser and Thomas are burning because Heenan interfered in the bout. They feel they could have won if Heenan was in the dressing room—where he belongs!

CALIFORNIA REPORT By Larry Barnhizer and Thomas J. Brophy

One of the most shocking split-ups Los Angeles fans have ever witnessed involved the team of the Great Goliath and his long-time partner, Black Gordman.

"He's become a softie," Goliath told our reporter. "He doesn't bite our opponents anymore, he doesn't foul like he used to. I can't understand it. I think he's becoming a clean wrestler. That really disgusts me!" A match between the two former partners is being signed. It should be one helluva brawl!

Argentina Rocca, the sensational nephew of wrestling great Antonino Rocca, made a spectacular debut at Modesto's uptown arena. Rocca was put to a real test as he was matched against brutal Roger Kirby. And what a test it was!

As soon as the bell rang, Kirby wanted to show the world that he's a better wrestler than this newcomer. He charged out of his corner, rushed into Rocca, and bombarded him with stomach kicks, eye gouges and bites. Then, when he clamped young Rocca in a headlock, the Argentinian catapulted Kirby into the ropes. But when Kirby came back on the rebound, Rocca's sensational flying feet went sailing—dropkick style—into Roger's face! Three times Rocca flattened Kirby. Then he clamped the blond terror in a reverse cradle and pinned him.

Now, very confident, Rocca anticipated little trouble in the second fall. But cagey Kirby fooled him. As soon as Roger got an advantage, he fouled Rocca every way his rule-breaking mind could tell him to. Finally, Kirby threw Rocca into the ropes, and when the young dropkick expert catapulted back, he was stopped dead by Kirby's waiting knee—which landed square on Rocca's neck. Kirby had evened the match in his usual style.

In the third fall, Rocca blew his cool. He knew he couldn't lose his debut match if he concentrated on his famous uncle's style. So he dazzled Kirby with flying dropkicks, zooming head scissors and flying leaps. Then, like his uncle, young Rocca gave Kirby a thundering bodyslam, left him sprawled in mid-ring, climbed the ropes and zoomed halfway across the ring with a spectacular flying body press. The match over, Rocca received a standing ovation. He's a great wrestler and you'll be hearing a lot more about this fabulous new star. He's going right to the top! ☐

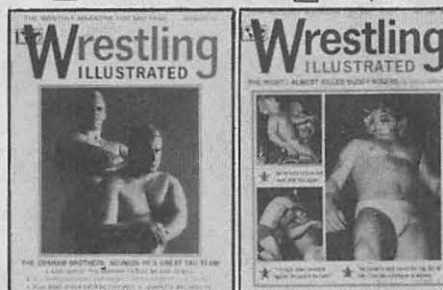
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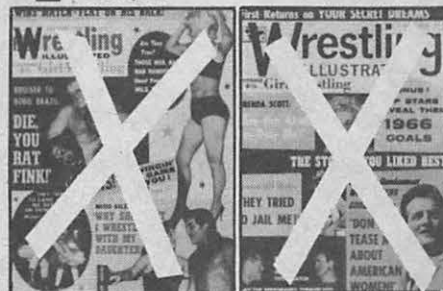


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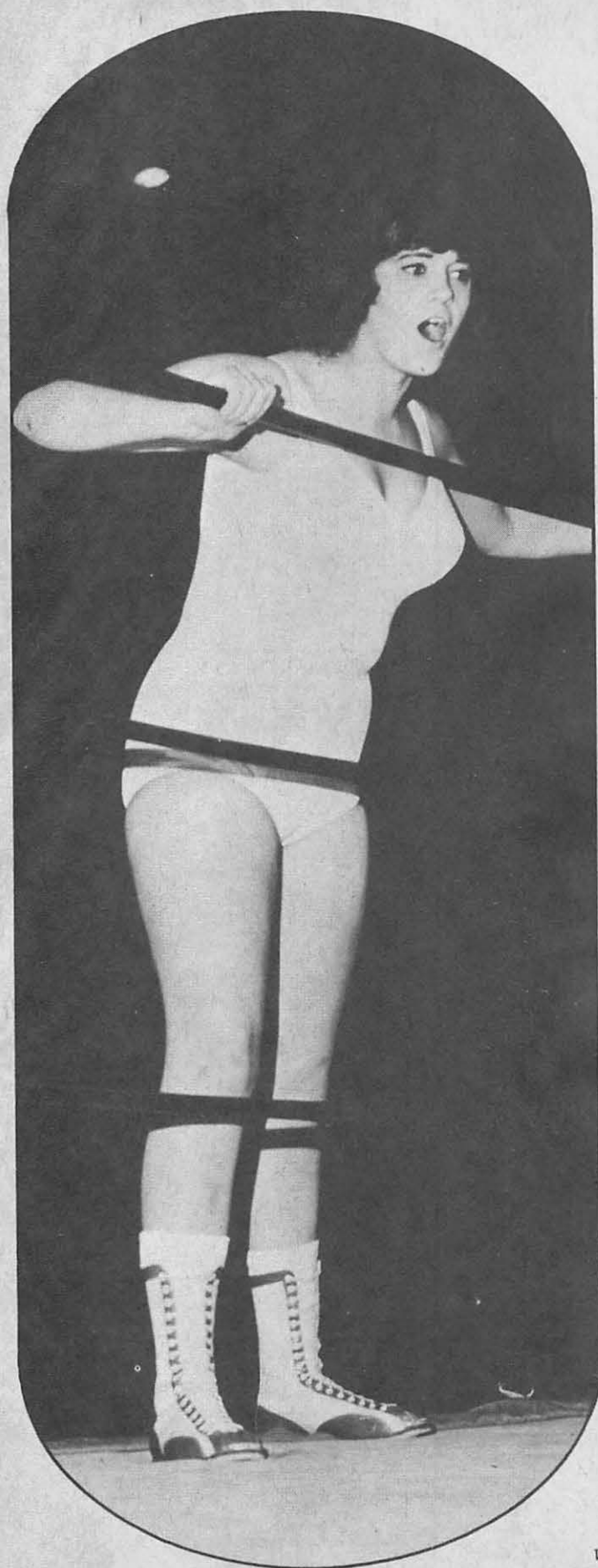
DEBBIE JOHNSON. Remember that name. The odds are you'll be hearing it again.

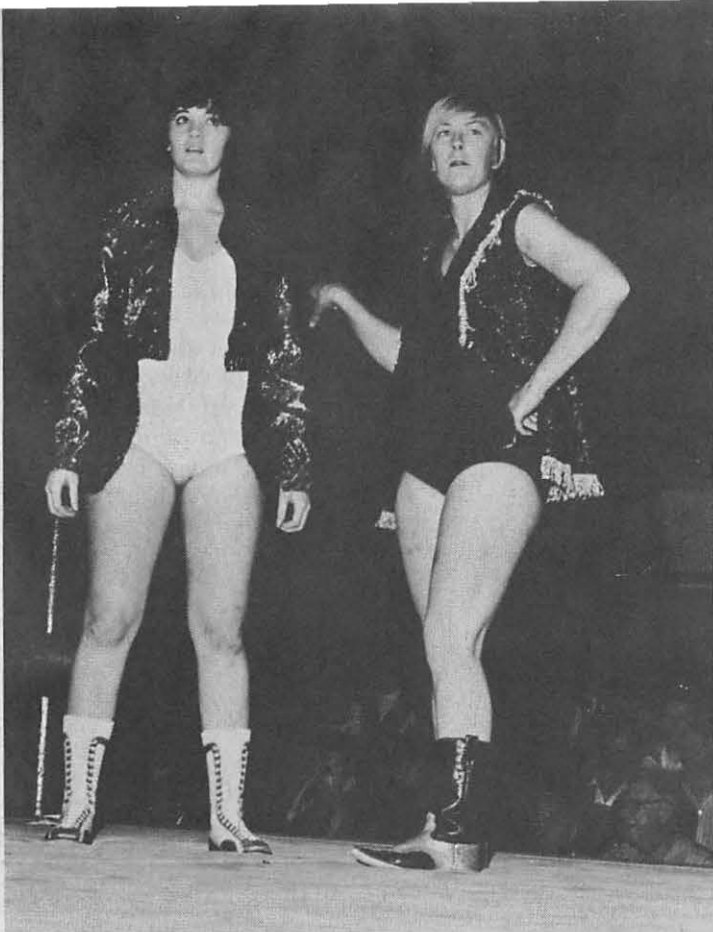
At one time, Debbie wondered if she'd *ever* be recognized. "Take it easy," the other wrestlers told her. "You're young. You just got into the sport. Sometimes it takes years before you become well-known."

But Debbie wasn't about to waste years on a gamble. "I want to make it big and I don't want it to take 10 years," she insisted. But Debbie didn't know how to go about it. She was another pretty, scientific wrestler whom everyone liked but nobody broke down the doors to see.

"I thought about making myself

Pretty Debbie Johnson leans across ropes to shout instructions to her tag team partner, Paula Kaye, during their match with Fabulous Moolah and Peggy Patterson.





Debbie (left), in white suit, appears nervous as she and Paula Kaye await the start of their match against Peggy Patterson and Fabulous Moolah. Below: Referee Mel Johnson finds himself in a most disconcerting position as both Moolah and Paula Kaye flatten him. Peggy Patterson's about to join the pileup even though Debbie Johnson is rushing in to try and prevent it.



Debbie holds Moolah on the ropes while Paula Kaye battles Peggy Patterson. This is when Moolah called Debbie a "punk" and got the youngster very angry.

into somebody unusual," she recalls. "You know, wear a mask or something like that. But I realized that people would then know about me for *what* I was and not *who* I was. I want them to know who Debbie Johnson is... not some masked wrestler."

So Debbie went around asking advice. And everywhere she went she got the same answer. "You're young. You've got plenty of time."

It seemed there was no solution to Debbie's problem. And as she pre-

pared to enter the ring for a tag team match in Greenville, South Carolina, the young gal from Kentucky had no idea her life would shortly be changed.

Debbie was teamed with Paula Kaye against the Fabulous Moolah and Peggy Patterson. Not one of the three other girls in the match would ever be considered a threat to win the good conduct medal. By the time the match ended, Debbie would win a reputation as being as ruthless as any of the other three.



"When you're wrestling in a match in which the three other girls are considered villains, you sort of get caught up in the spirit of things yourself," Debbie remembered. "I had no particular plans to wrestle in one way or another. But the way the match developed, I had to resort to their tactics in order to save my own skin."

Debbie opened the match against Peggy Patterson and was battered from ringpost to ringpost. But true to her style, she always tried to keep her tactics strictly on the up and up. It cost her. Moolah and Patterson took the first fall. And between falls, Debbie received a tongue-lashing from her partner, Paula Kaye.

"I think I scared her more than Moolah and Patterson," Paula said, recalling the incident. "I really yelled at her and told her the facts of life. I told her if she ever thought of making it big she'd have to learn how to fight fire with fire. 'Do you think anybody's gonna remember you after tonight?' I asked her. 'Of course not! You're just another girl who lost to Moolah. You let them kick you around like a football. If you don't shape up in this match you



Debbie joins a wild tug-of-war and rescues Paula, who was almost pulled apart by Moolah and Peggy Patterson. Paula's angry lecture to Debbie between falls changed the entire match around and may have changed Debbie's future!

Debbie's facial expression anticipates the worst as Peggy Patterson slams her to the canvas. Debbie, to her dismay, found out she got more recognition after wrestling like a maniac in this match than she had in all her previous matches, in which she'd stuck to the rules. Since then, she has wrestled ruthlessly on some occasions and grappled scientifically on others.



deserve to stay a small-timer.' I even said I'd get even with her in the dressing room if we lost this match."

The tongue-lashing had quite an effect on Debbie. When Paula Kaye tagged her during the second fall, Debbie charged into the ring like a runaway train. She whipped Moolah into the ropes and kicked her in the stomach when she bounced off. She raked her nails across her face and stomped on her. When Peggy Patterson came in she received the same treatment. The crowd suddenly came alive. Who was this spitfire?

Debbie and Paula took the second fall and again there was a heated conference between falls. But this time the screaming was coming from

Moolah's corner as she let Peggy Patterson have it. The third fall promised to be wild.

It was.

The four tigresses turned the third fall into a no-holds-barred, hair-pulling, barroom brawl. Even referee Mel Johnson found himself being battered around. And right there in the middle was Debbie Johnson, slugging away like a raging maniac.

"It turned into a battle for survival," Debbie noted. "The referee got Peggy Patterson and I back to our corners, but all hell broke loose again when Paula whipped Moolah into my corner.

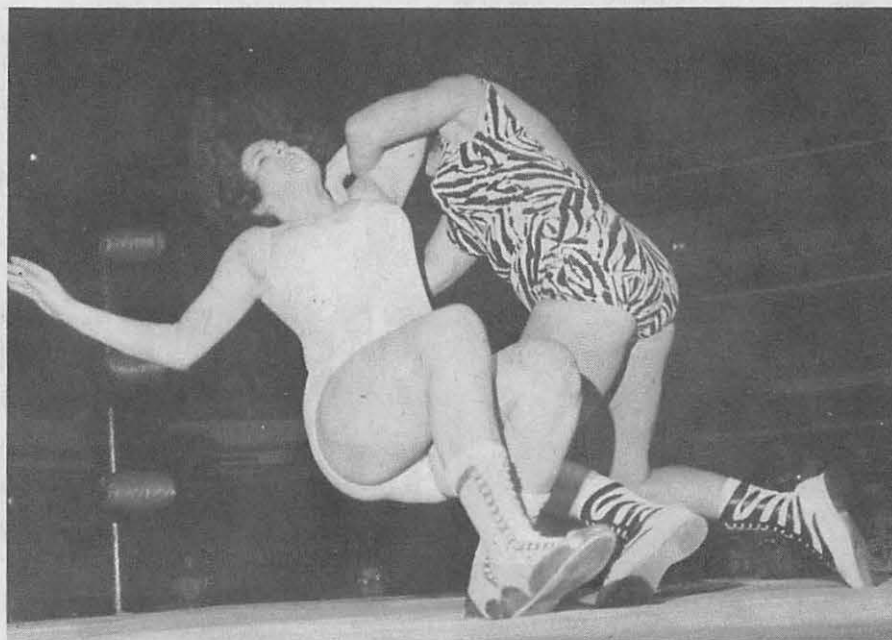
"Hold her!" Paula yelled to me. Without thinking, I wrapped her legs

around the ropes so she couldn't get loose, held my arm around her throat and slugged away with my free hand. Suddenly it dawned on me. What was I doing? This is the Fabulous Moolah I've got here. If she ever gets out she'll kill me!

"For a second I stopped and just froze. Moolah turned around. 'You're finished you punk!' she yelled. That snapped me out of it and I blew up. Here was the champion of the world, a wrestler known by every fan in the country. She had everything I wanted. Who was she to call me a punk? I was crazy with anger."

Debbie pulled Moolah backwards by the hair until the champion tum-

Peggy Patterson is trying to pull the Fabulous Moolah to the safety of her corner while Paula Kaye tries to drag the champion the other way. And as they tugged and pulled, Debbie ran in and knee-dropped Moolah on the chest.



Moolah gets even with Debbie and takes her down with an armlock. When Debbie first realized she was actually wrestling the champion, she admitted being "scared silly."

I'll do it!"

Debbie has wrestled a few more times since that tag team match against Moolah and Patterson. And word of that brawl had evidently gotten around. People began to notice her. And she kept the interest going by acting like a New York City mugger in some matches and a heavenly angel in others. The fans never knew which Debbie Johnson they were going to see. But they all wanted to find out.

Debbie still has a ways to go before she becomes as famous as Moolah or Paula Kaye or Vivian Vachon or Ann Casey or any of the top stars. But she's no longer an unknown. As we said at the beginning of this story—remember her name. You'll be hearing a lot more about Debbie Johnson—the youngster who doesn't want to wait for stardom!

bled off the ropes and out of the ring. Again holding her by the hair, Debbie smashed Moolah—face first—into the ringpost. The crowd was stunned as Debbie, supposedly the only scientific wrestler in this battle, had turned more vicious than the other three put together!

The referee finally pulled Debbie off Moolah while Paula Kaye took care of Peggy Patterson. The lamb had turned into a tigress and Moolah and Patterson were beaten. And as Paula Kaye and Debbie Johnson walked back to the dressing room—the crowd buzzed.

"Listen to 'em," Paula said to Debbie. "You hear that? They're talking about you. I bet nobody

here tonight will forget Debbie Johnson for a long time!"

Debbie thought about those remarks afterwards. "I even had trouble falling asleep that night," she remembered. "I had a lot of decisions to make. Everything Paula told me was right. You don't get the respect of someone as great as the Fabulous Moolah by being nice. I treated her as if she was a nobody. And she didn't like it. But she respected me for it.

"On the other hand, for those two falls I had turned into an animal like so many of those other wrestlers I swore I'd never be like. Was that the answer? Did I have to become a ruthless animal in order to get attention? Because if that's what I have to do

Whatever you do...

A bloody Pak Song heads for dressing room after doing a favor for his once best friend, Matsuda.

DON'T ASK PAK SONG TO DO YOU A FAVOR

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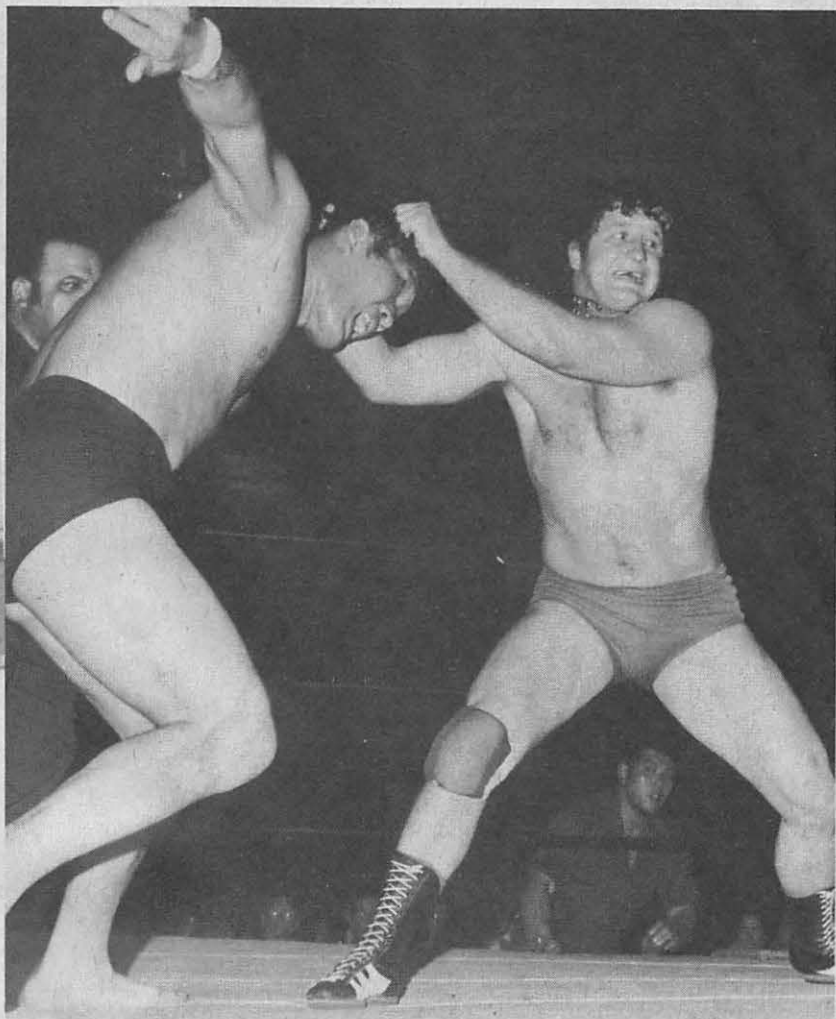
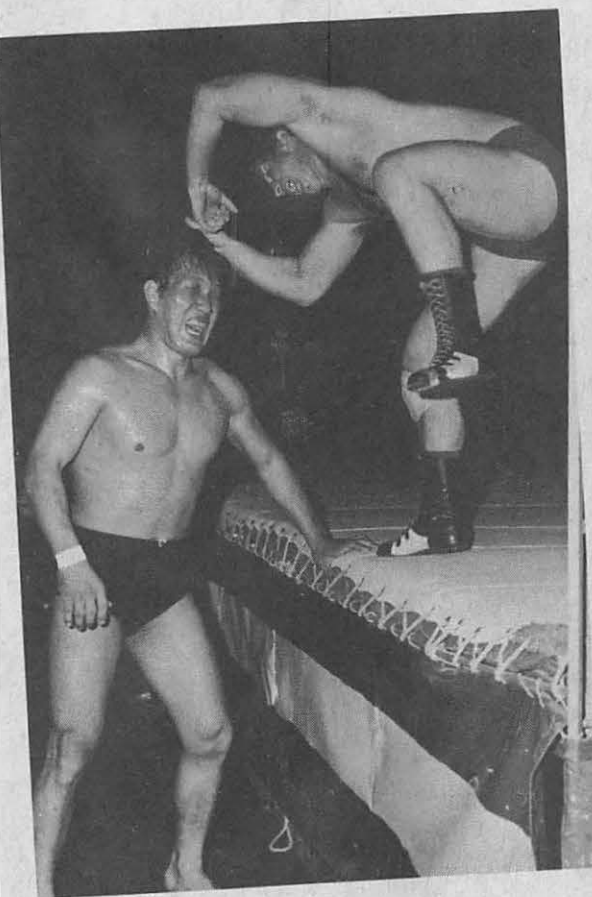
PAK SONG WILL do a lot for a friend. To those people he likes, the Korean giant is known as someone you can depend upon in a pinch. But from now on, Song may think twice about volunteering to step in and help a friend—especially when that friend is Hiro Matsuda. Matsuda almost got Song killed.

Dory Funk Sr. and Matsuda have had a strong dislike for each other for quite awhile. And Dory had just been itching for a chance to get Matsuda in the ring. But Hiro wanted no part of Funk and wasn't afraid to let everyone know it.

But pressure from promoters and

Korean giant Pak Song agreed to do a small favor for his friend, Hiro Matsuda. And before he knew it he wound up in the middle of a battle with the Funks!

Terry Funk (left) holds Pak Song by the hair while preparing to drive his knee into the Korean's chest. Below: Funk, who's wearing a protective karate collar, still has Song by the hair and rams him into the corner turnbuckle. Shortly after this, Sakaguchi came to Song's rescue and together they just about pulverized Terry. When Dory Sr. and Jr. heard about it, they immediately flew in from Florida for a six-man revenge match.



the lure of a special cash prize was too much for Matsuda to overlook. He agreed to a match against Funk —only if his buddy, Pak Song, could be in his corner as a second.

Dory was so happy to finally get a crack at Matsuda he agreed, and suggested that son Terry Funk might just pop around to his corner to kind of even things off. That's the way it all began.

The wrestlers were called in for a routine contract signing. Song should have read the fine print. Because Matsuda had a special clause put in saying that if either he or Funk couldn't show up—the corner man would substitute. Both Dory Sr. and Pak Song should have realized then that Matsuda had no intention of showing up.

Sure enough, shortly before it was time for the match to begin, Matsuda could not be found. He hadn't been to the dressing room and nobody knew where he was. A few minutes later, Song was called to the phone.

"It was Matsuda," he said, "and he

told me he has the flu. He tried to come tonight but he has a high fever and his doctor told him not to wrestle. He waited until the last minute hoping the fever would break, but it didn't. He asked me if I wouldn't mind substituting for him and apologized for not being able to make it.

"I went to the promoter and explained what happened. I told him I'd be willing to substitute for Matsuda. He told me I had no choice. According to the contract I *had* to substitute for Matsuda. And I thought I was doing the guy a favor!

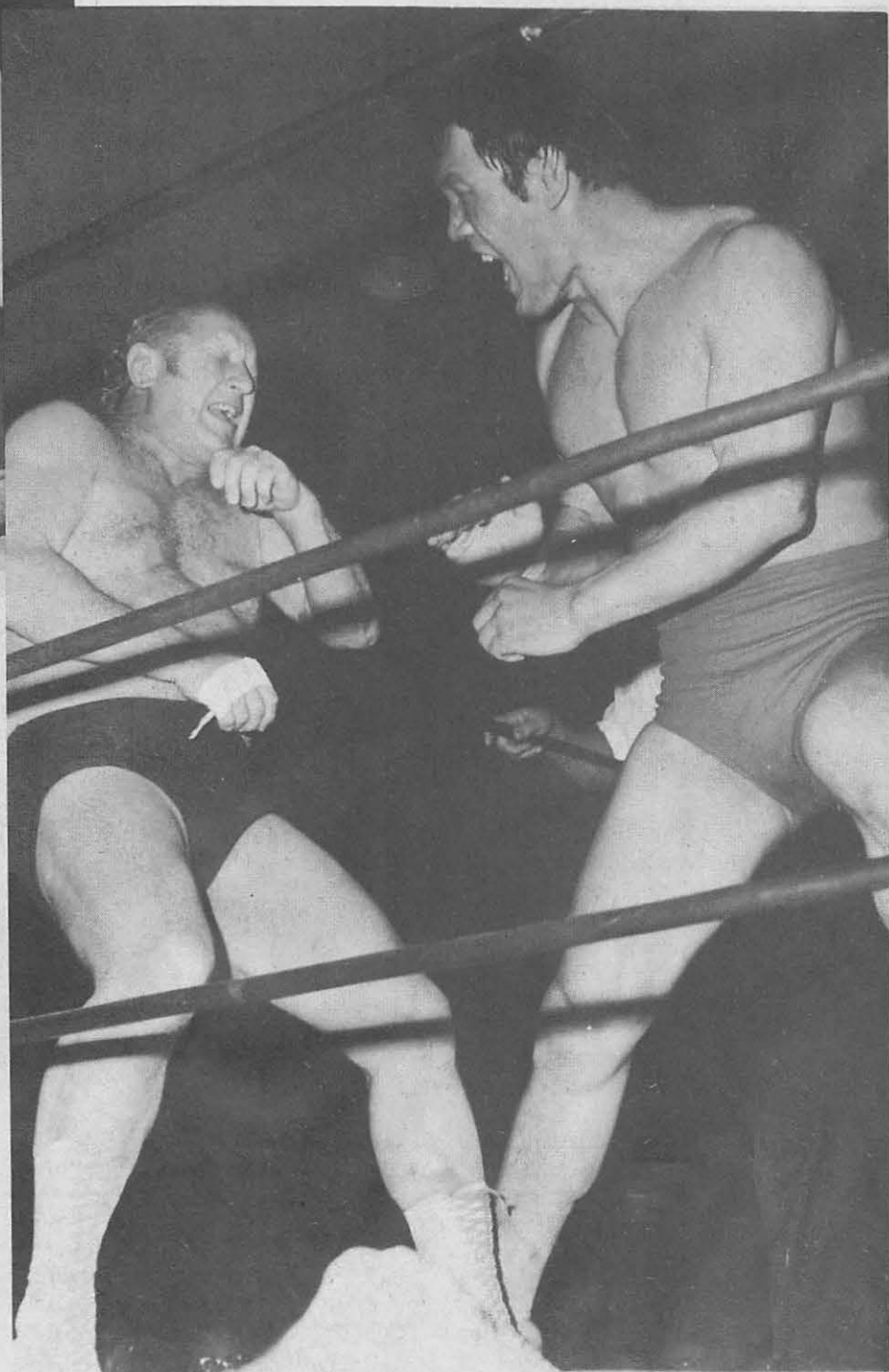
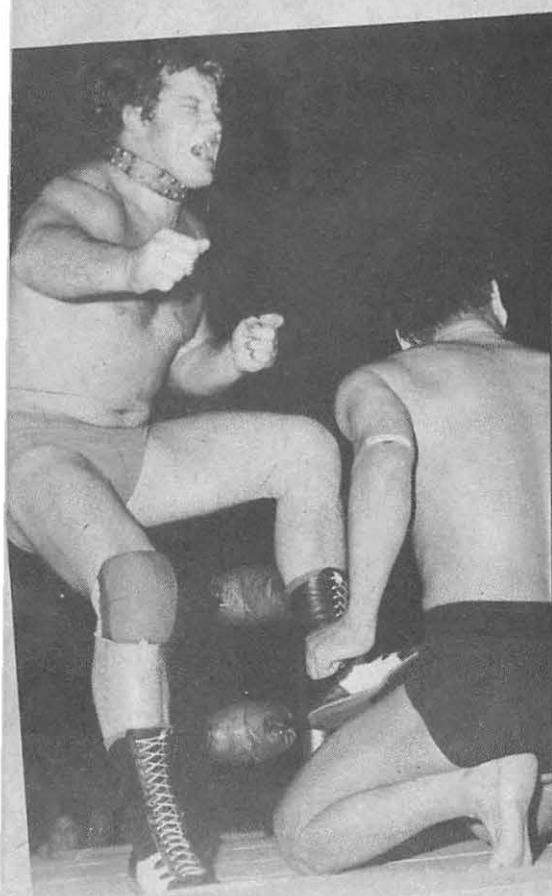
"Since that would leave nobody in my corner, I asked Sakaguchi if

he'd be my second. He agreed and the promoter went next door to tell the Funks what happened."

"When I found out that Matsuda had chickened out again I was angry as I could be," remembered Dory Sr. "I was seeing red. He had the flu like my pet calf had the flu. But there was nothing I could do. The contracts had been signed. I had to wrestle Pak Song. I vowed I'd rough Song up as much as I could to show all the wrestlers what happens to you when Matsuda sends you to do his dirty work for him."

Funk didn't wait long to prove his point. He caught one of Song's karate

Pak Song, who agreed to fill in for Hiro Matsuda, shoulder blocks Dory Funk Sr. (below) before Dory lowered the boom on Song. Left: Terry Funk, whom Song wrestled in place of Matsuda the following week, brings the Korean to his knees with a kick to the stomach. This is the match that got Song involved in the six-man revenge tag team bout against the Funks—a match he wanted no part of!



chops in his hands and whipped the giant into the corner turnbuckle—face first. And Song came out of the corner looking like he'd stuck his face into a meat grinder. Despite the blood streaming down his face, Song continued karate chopping Dory until he got him on the deck. Then he stomped on him and finally picked him up and sent him over the ropes and out of the ring.

The two battled as much outside the ring as they did inside. And Song wasn't doing too well. Seeing this, Sakaguchi ran over to give him some help and together they battered Funk around like a toy.

Terry Funk wasn't about to watch his father get pulverized by these two. It took him only about five seconds to get around to the side of the ring where the action was taking place. And as Dory got even with Sakaguchi, Terry smashed Pak Song into the post again and even more blood started to flow!

The whole thing was getting out of hand now and the only thing the referee could do was count. So he did. And since none of the four, who were still battling outside the ring, cared to surrender, everyone was disqualified. But of the four, it was

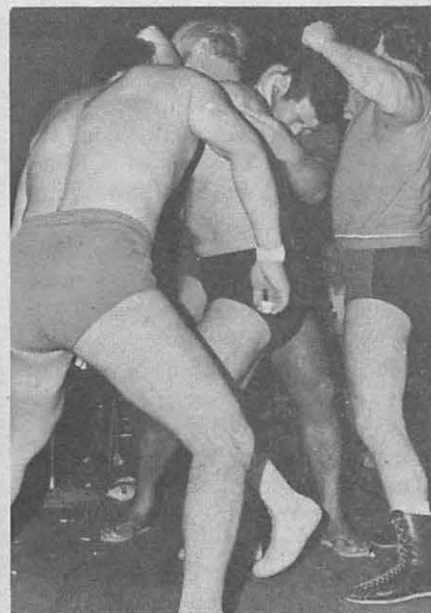
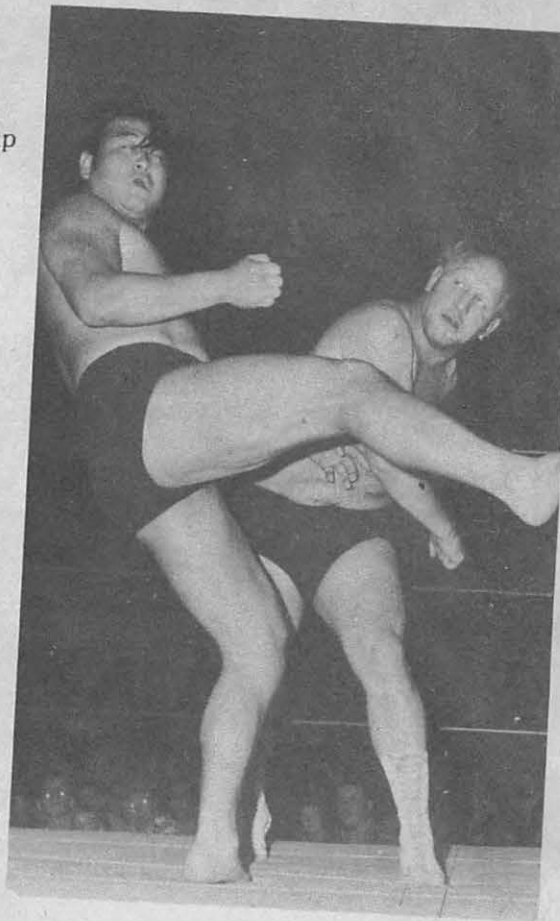
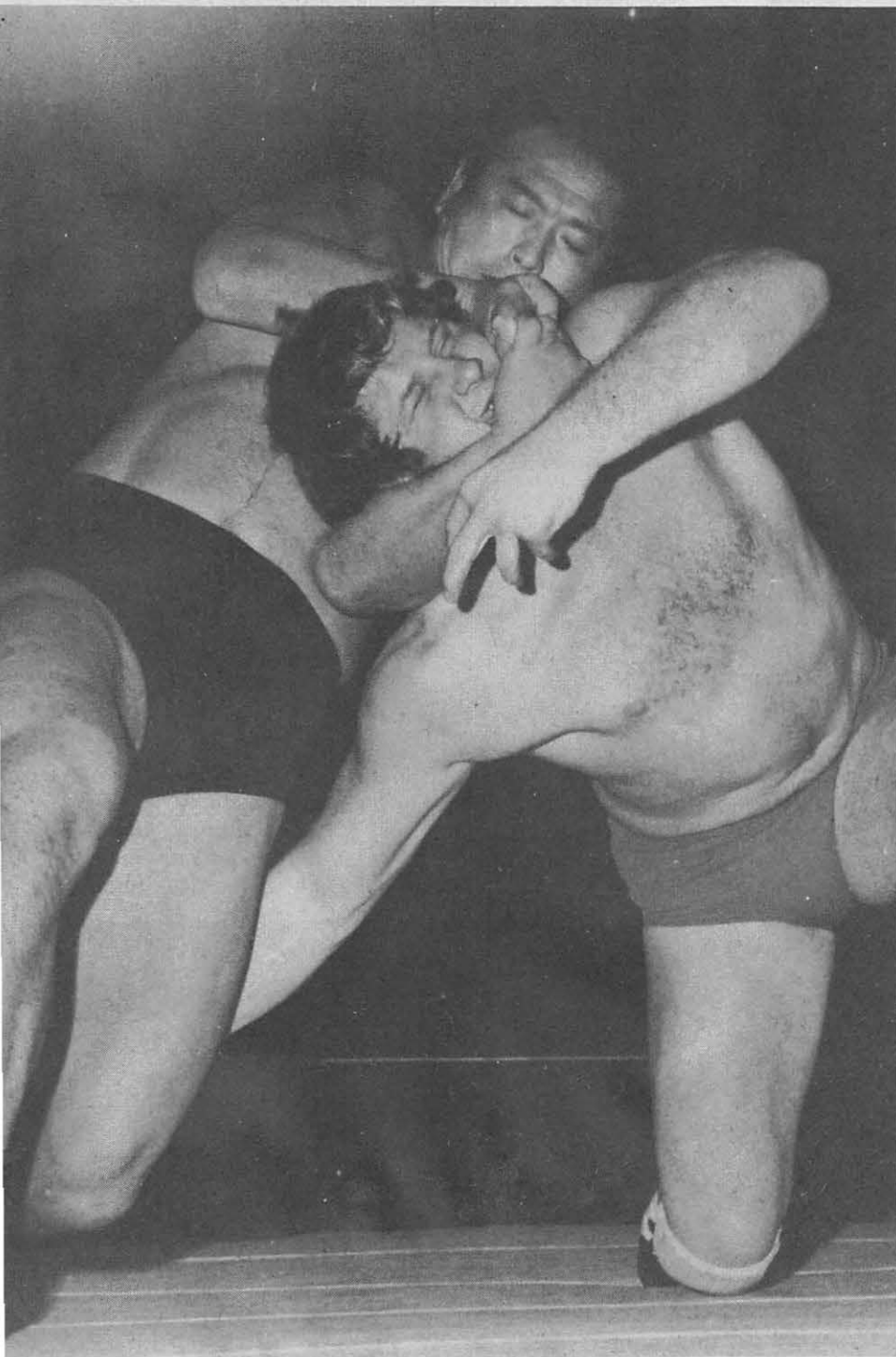
Song who took the beating.

His problems didn't end there. The following week, Matsuda again called in sick. And again Pak Song substituted—this time against Terry Funk.

Terry asked permission to wear a

special karate collar designed to protect a nerve in his neck that Song injured the week before when they battled outside the ring. Permission was granted, and although it was ruled that karate would be allowed, Terry felt safe enough with the col-

Hiro Matsuda, who had to post a \$1,000 bond to make sure he'd show up for the six-man tag team match, twists Terry Funk's head around with a reverse headlock (below). The commission ruled that Matsuda's title match with Funk would be postponed unless he agreed to this match. Right: Dory Sr., whose feud with Matsuda started the confusing series, belts Hiro on the jaw hard enough to make him stagger like a drunk.



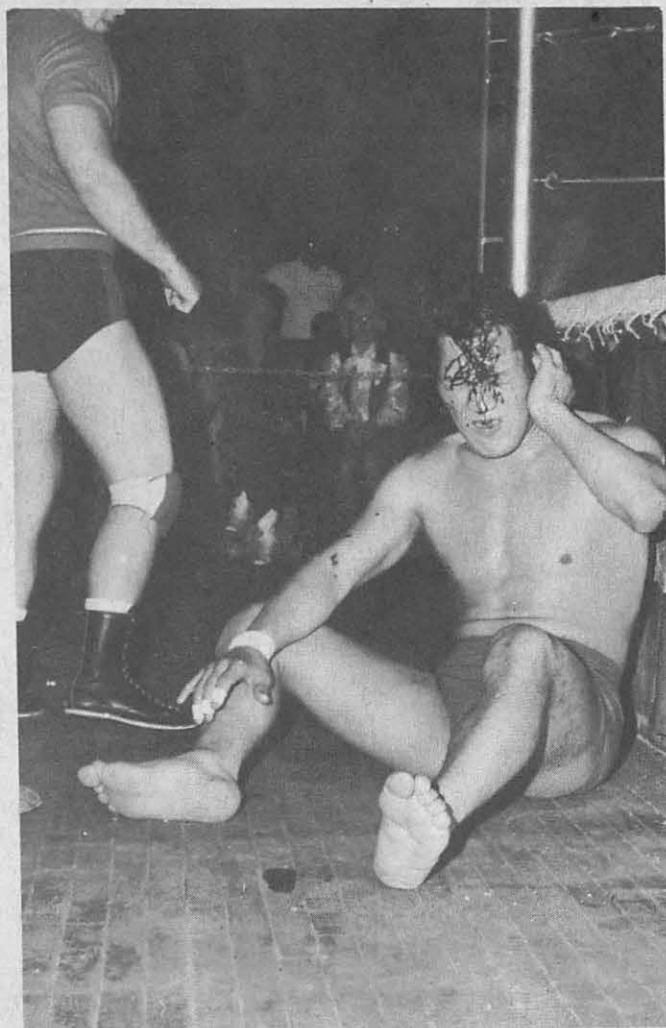
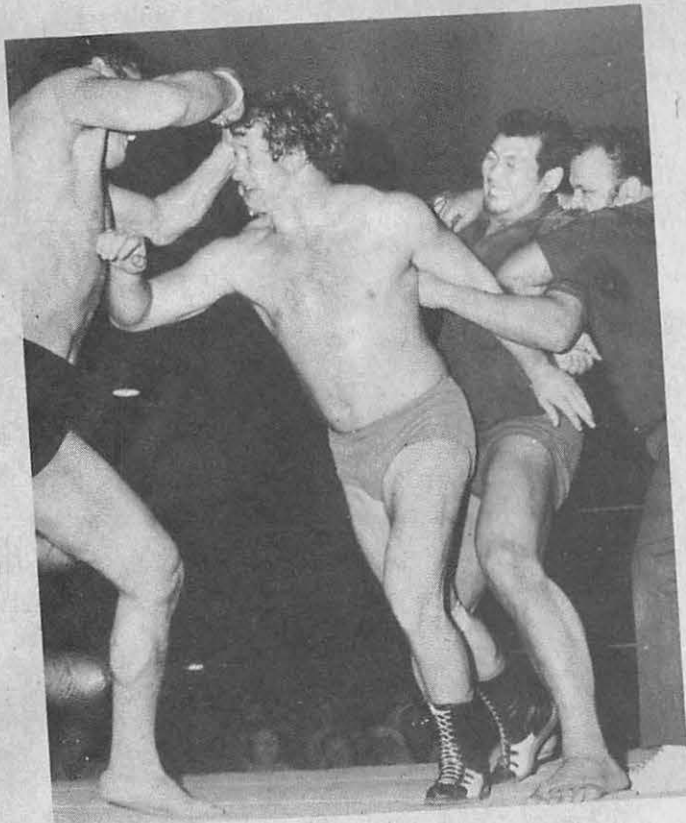
Dory Sr. and Terry battle with Pak Song and Sakaguchi outside the ring during the first of the trio of matches. Matsuda was "home with the flu!"

lar.

Again Song went through the worst of it as Terry wiped up the mat with the big Korean. But like the previous week, Sakaguchi again came to his rescue, and together the Orientals ganged up on Terry. This time there

was no Dory Sr. around to help. And even though he was declared the winner, Terry wound up as the victim of one of the most vicious assaults ever seen—even by Texas standards. So partially, at least, Pak Song had gotten a measure of revenge.

The following week was supposed to see a title match between Matsuda and Dory Jr. But when Dory Jr. and Dory Sr. heard what happened to Terry, they both flew back to Amarillo and demanded that a three-man tag team bout be set up between



the Funks and Pak Song, Sakaguchi and Hiro Matsuda.

Since Matsuda had missed two consecutive scheduled appearances (because he didn't want to tangle with the Funks), the N.W.A. ruled that he'd have to participate in the three-man match before he'd be allowed a shot at Dory Jr.'s title. Matsuda fussed and fumed but it did him no good. However, as fate would have it, Matsuda got off lucky. For when the trios squared off—it was once again poor Pak Song who got the worst of it.

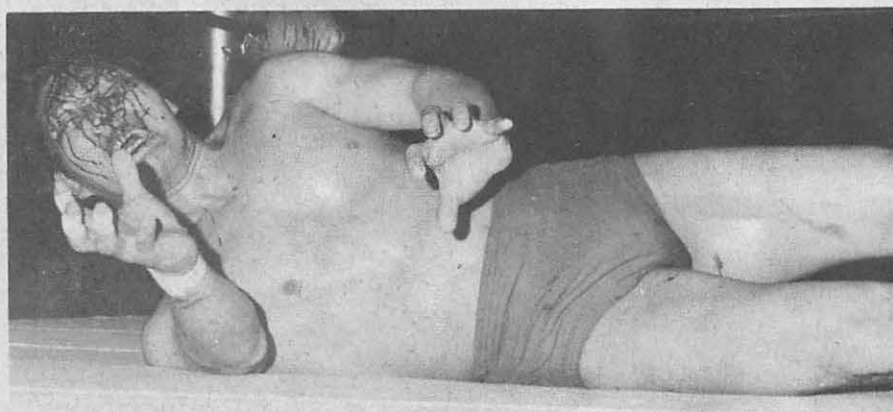
Because of the beating Song and Sakaguchi had given Terry, the Funks (Dory Sr. and Jr.) had forgotten about their feud with Matsuda and concentrated on Song and Sakaguchi. And Matsuda, who, if nothing else, is clever, stayed outside the ring most of the time, again letting his good friends, Song and Sakaguchi, take the punishment for him.

After the match ended with Terry pinning Song and Dory Jr. putting the Spinning Toehold on Sakaguchi, Matsuda was seen headed in the general direction of the dressing room with Dory Sr. hot on his trail!

"That's the last time I'll do a favor for Matsuda," said an angry Pak Song afterwards. "First I agree to stay in his corner during a match he has no intention of wrestling in. I wind up with nine stitches. All right, I said. Those things happen. Then I agree to substitute the following

Referee (above) tries to pull Sakaguchi off Terry Funk, who's having enough trouble with Pak Song.

In all three bouts, it was Pak Song who got the worst of it. Above: Song, bloody and dazed, sits on the arena floor after being worked over by Dory Funk Jr. during the six-man tag team match. Below: His face a mask of blood, Song beseeches Dory Sr. not to punish him any more. Dory took out his hatred for Hiro Matsuda on poor Pak Song, who did a favor for a friend and didn't know what he was getting into!



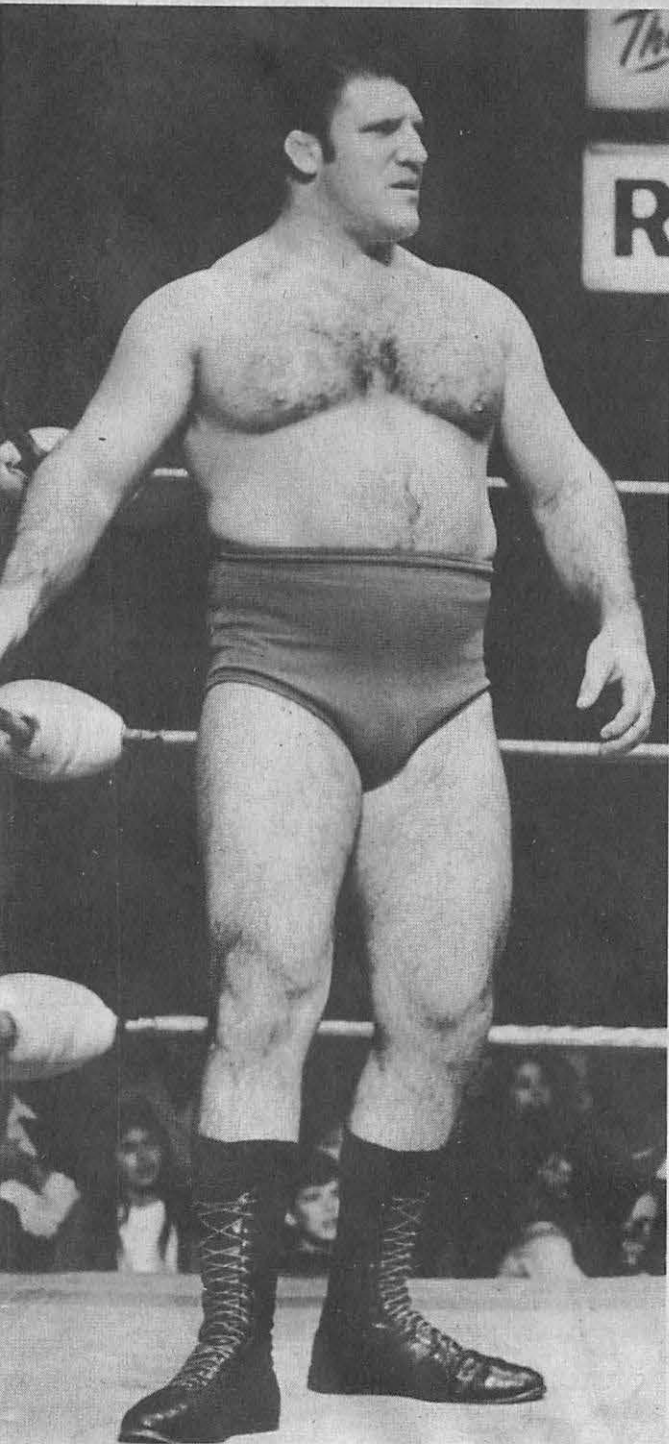
week—and I get disqualified when Sakaguchi comes in to help. And what's worse, that gets me involved in a feud with the Funks which I don't want any part of anyway. I wind up wrestling in a three-man match, but I figure at least Matsuda will be there. They made him post a \$1,000 appearance bond, you know.

So he shows up all right. But he spends most of the time in the corner refusing to tag. And when we get in trouble he takes off for the dressing room. And then, to top it all off, *he* gets a title match with Dory Funk Jr. the following week!

"Do me a favor. Don't ever mention that bum's name to me again!" □

BRUNO SAMMARTINO

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Bruno (left) looks around and finds only Ripper Collins remaining. "That's when I knew I could win," Bruno recalls. Above: Collins shows what he thinks of the gold watch he received for being only the runner-up.

But the most disappointed wrestler in the Battle Royal had to be Dutch Savage, probably the man who'd done the most damage.

"What a lousy, rotten, stinking break," Savage moaned after it was over. "I dump a million guys out of there and don't win. That lousy Johnson cost me the \$11,000. I had Laine all but out and he had to stick his two cents in and try to rescue him. We got all tangled up and the next thing I know I hit my head on the floor and both Laine

and Johnson are lying on top of me. If it wasn't for Johnson I would have won. He would have gone next, me and Ripper could have handled that slob Sammartino and then I would have finished Collins off."

"What did he expect me to do," Johnson asked, "stand around and watch him dump Frankie and then come after me? When I saw him and Laine on the mat near the corner I figured it was a chance to eliminate them both."

Sammartino, who never gets a chance to participate in Battle Royals in New York where they're outlawed, said he was surprised at winning. "At first I was a little confused," Bruno chuckled, "what with 22 wrestlers and all. I was worried about people ganging up on me from behind and things like that. But I decided I'd take care of one guy at a time and go as far as I could and let the chips fall where they may. You can't plan strategy for a wild match like this. Everything's kind of freelance. It seemed I was in there for a long time so I figured I must have been doing all right. I was working on Collins in the corner, turned around, and saw everyone else was gone. That was the first time I really realized I could win this thing. I guess I just got lucky."

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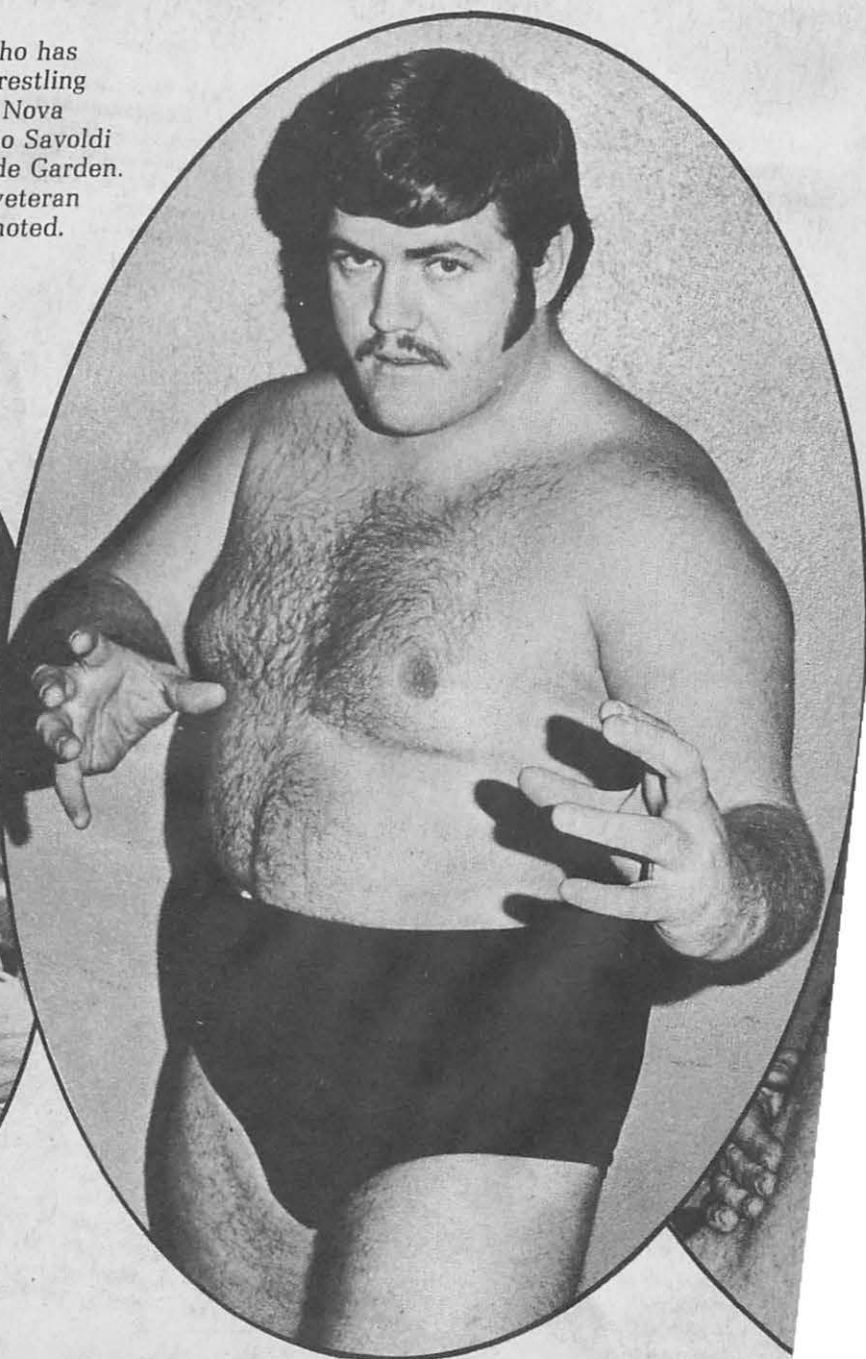
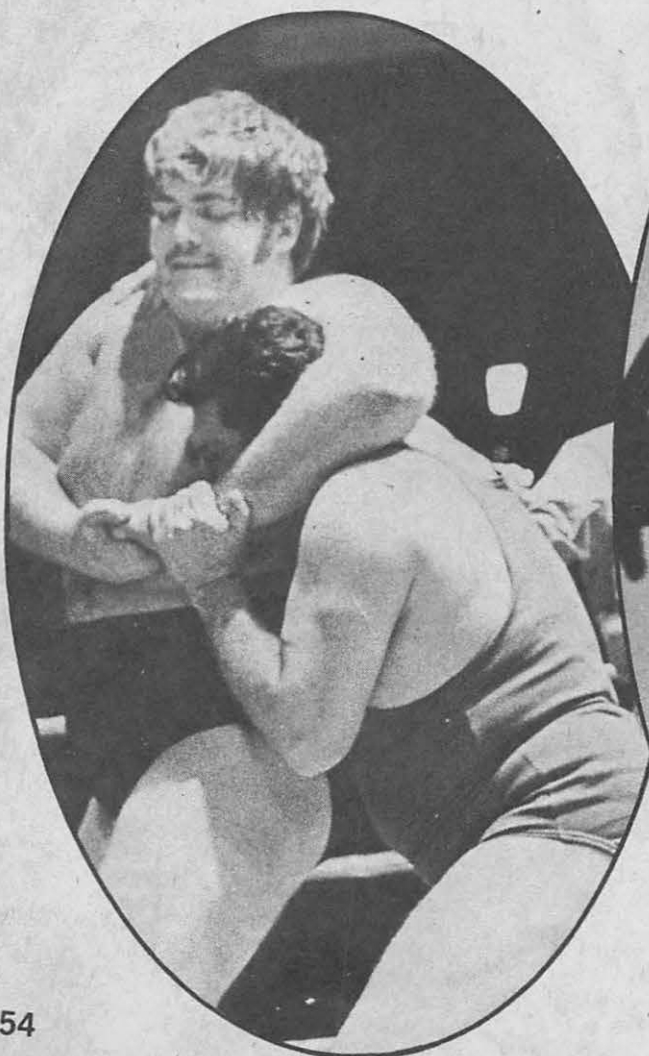
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THE MAKING OF A PROFESSIONAL WRESTLER

Joe Nova (right) is one of the few who has made the difficult transition from wrestling fan to professional wrestler. Below: Nova clamps a headlock on veteran Angelo Savoldi in his debut at New York's Sunnyside Garden. "I learned an awful lot wrestling a veteran like Savoldi the first time out," Joe noted.



So many readers write in asking how to become a professional wrestler that we decided to do something about it. Joe Nova, a veteran of just three pro matches, agreed to tell his story to give hopefuls an idea of how to do it—and what to expect.

JOE NOVA HAS had all of three matches. He has won them all. But he is still a green, raw rookie who gets very nervous whenever he enters the ring.

Joe's background is interesting. He was a wrestling fan who, like so many other wrestling fans, decided he wanted to become a professional wrestler. So he did something about it. And since so many of you have asked how to get into wrestling, Joe agreed to tell how he did it.

"I was in junior high school and I used to watch wrestling on television all the time," Joe remembered. "I thought being a wrestler would be the greatest thing ever. So I joined the

wrestling team in my school and when I went to high school I joined the high school wrestling team.

"Now let me say that up until that time I had never wrestled in my life. I had to start from scratch. The only thing I had going for me was weight. I weighed 250 pounds when I was in high school. But when I started it was just flab—not muscle as it is now. Anyway, weight doesn't really matter unless you know how to use it properly. So when I began, it's safe to say I was just another overweight kid who thought he wanted to be a wrestler.

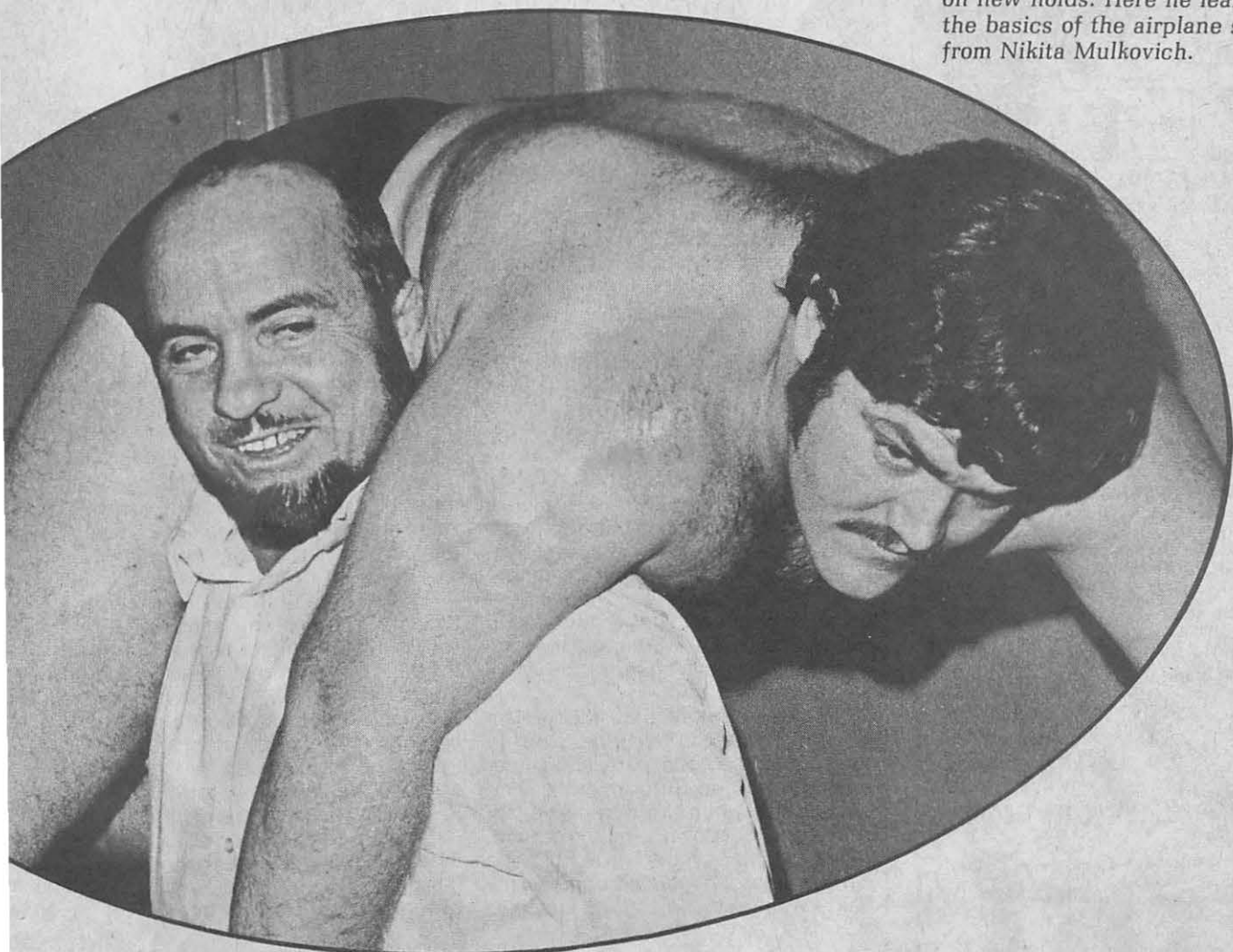
"I wasn't very good in junior high school because I was first starting to learn. But by the time I got to high

school I had grown to 6-2 and was 250 pounds. By that time I had learned how to use my weight to my advantage. But I still wasn't that good. In fact, in my first year of high school competition, I bombed out because I was too clumsy. But I knew that each match was a learning process and wasn't about to give up. Soon it all began to come together. As a senior I was undefeated and came in third in state competition.

"When I got out of high school and got into college I continued wrestling. For four years I practiced what I learned and perfected the holds I knew best. All the time I was still thinking of becoming a professional wrestler. It was always in the back of my mind. Whenever I saw other kids going on dates or goofing off and I was stuck in the gym working out—I just kept thinking about becoming a professional wrestler and that kept me going.

"After completing a successful college career I joined a local amateur wrestling club for about three years. During this time I met a Japanese gentleman who got me interested in judo. Since amateur wrestling is only

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seasonal and there are no tournaments, I decided to take up judo, which is an all-year-round sport. I worked out three hours a day.

"As it turned out, it was a big help in my wrestling career. In judo, I learned quite a bit about the Greco-Roman style of wrestling, which is basically arm and hand techniques. In judo you learn balance, pressure points and other things that helped me very much."

But it's still a long way from college, A.A.U. and judo to the professional ranks. And Joe waited a long time before he tried to break into the pros. He wanted to make sure he was ready.

"I enjoyed judo so much that I began teaching it in school. For awhile it seemed I had stumbled into a good career. But I knew that if I didn't give professional wrestling a try I'd always wonder whether or not I could have made it. The judo job was safe, but I was really postponing the inevitable. Finally, I realized that I could go only so far career and money-wise as a judo instructor. Since I was still 'hipped up' about wrestling I decided it was now or never. I had to get a try-out.

"Let me say now that if you have no amateur or college wrestling background, don't even bother to try and break into the professional ranks. It may look easy, but it's not. Luckily for me, my Japanese judo professor had a contact with a local wrestling promoter. I told the man I wanted to try a shot in the pros and he passed the word along to the promoter. He agreed to give me a tryout. But it wouldn't be for six months.

"For those six months I did nothing but practice. I studied every move, every escape. I wrestled every chance I got. I didn't stop for a minute.

"About six months later, the promoter called and told me he arranged for my first professional bout. It was against Juan Caruso in North Attleboro, Massachusetts. It wasn't Madison Square Garden but it was a start.

"There is nothing to describe what you go through before that first bout. I was scared no end. It was totally different from anything I'd ever experienced in the amateurs. Even the crowd is different. They'd never seen me before, but they booed the hell out of Caruso and cheered me like I was a big hero.

"But even before that, the feeling I had is difficult to describe. I got to the arena three hours early and immediately changed into my wrestling gear. That's when the waiting began. I stood up. I sat down. I walked around. I took a drink of water. I tried to read a newspaper. I couldn't. I combed my hair. I went nuts looking for things to

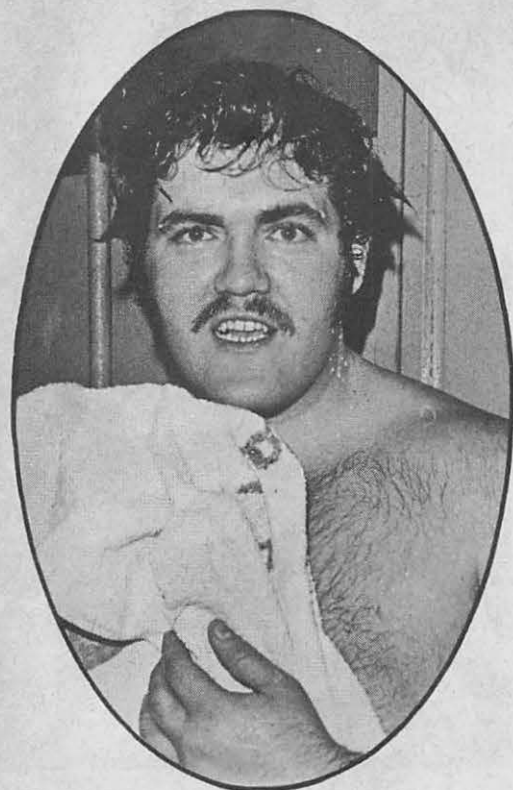


Joe tries a bear hug on Nikita Mulkovich, who is always anxious to help newcomers learn the fundamentals of the sport.

do. Other wrestlers began drifting in to the dressing room. I recognized them. But should I speak to them? How did they treat rookies? Would they think I had a lot of nerve? I decided against it.

"Luckily, I was in one of the preliminary matches so I didn't have to wait too long. I might have gone nuts if I had to stay in that dressing room much longer. As it turned out, I put on a jacket and watched the first two bouts from the dressing room tunnel.

"Well, I beat Caruso, but I was so nervous I couldn't tell you how I did it. I don't remember anything about the match. I remember climbing into the ring and I remember the referee raising my hand afterwards. In between I remember nothing.



Nova towels off after his bout against Savoldi. He almost gave up his dream of wrestling to become a judo instructor. Now he's glad he didn't give up.

"Since then I've had two more matches and I've won them both. I'm still nervous before a match and I guess I will be for a long time."

By the time this story is published, Joe Nova will have had more than three matches. It's too early to say he has or hasn't made it, but he did persevere and give his dream a chance. After what he's been through, would he advise other youngsters with similar dreams to try it?

"If you have the desire I think you should follow it," Joe said. "With all the sacrifices you have to make you'll soon find out if you really had the desire you thought you had. I think any youngster who thinks he wants to be a professional wrestler should go to the matches, watch them carefully and learn the moves. He should join an amateur club, and if there are none around, let him start one. There are plenty of teachers and coaches in the high schools and Y.M.C.A.'s who will help. He should wrestle whenever and wherever he can—except in the streets, of course. Join your school team and if you're not good enough—make yourself good enough. When you finally think you're good enough, write to the local wrestling promoter and ask for a tryout. But as I said before—if you don't have any amateur background—you might as well forget it."



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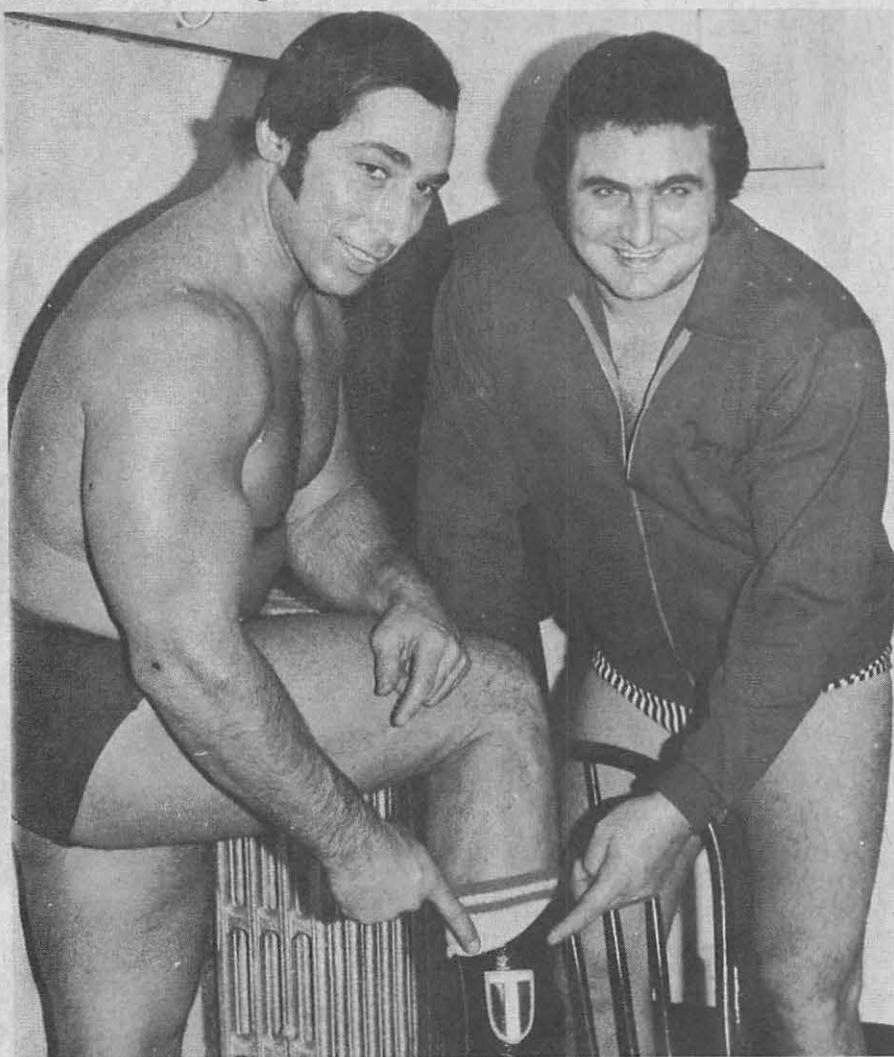
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SEVEN WAYS TO SKIN A KANGAROO

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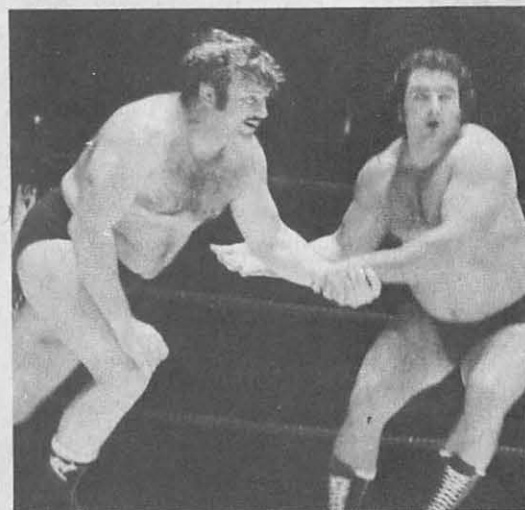
Marino and Parisi point to Tony's boot which bears the Italian tricolor Kangaroo manager George Cannon was tricked when he signed for his men to meet "The Italians." He had wanted no part of Marino and Parisi and was enraged when he found out that's exactly who "The Italians" are!

Costello set Tony Marino up for the Boomerang. That's a hold in which a floored wrestler is brought to his feet by one of the Kangaroos' holding his legs and falling backwards—sort of like a child's see-saw. One goes down the other goes up. Except that when the victim is propelled up—a fist or dropkick is waiting for him. Marino found out that by letting your legs go completely limp—the Boomerang can't work. When he did that—Costello was red with rage!

Costello also tried a Backbreaker, his version of which consists of slamming a wrestler's back on his waiting knee. But if the intended victim hangs on to Costello's head with a headlock—he can't be forced down to the knee. And as for the Koala Clutch—the Kangaroos never got a chance to use it.

The 14,000 people at Maple Leaf Gardens were going wild as the Kangaroos were being plain outwrestled. In fact, it looked like an upset was apparent when Kent went for Parisi's legs only to have Tony turn the Boomerang into a reverse cradle. Referee George Kanellis got as far as "two" before Costello charged in to upset the hold.

That episode so shook the champions that they spent the final three minutes trying to stay away from the Italians, content to settle for a draw and get out of there alive. And that's how it ended—a draw. But the 14,000 fans, Marino and Parisi, and, the Fabulous Kangaroos as well, knew that the champions had just received a wrestling lesson. So sensational were Marino and Parisi—they were guaranteed a shot at the Kangaroos



Tony Parisi whips Don Kent into Tony's corner where Marino met Kent with an on target flying dropkick.

in a championship, two-out-of-three-fall match in the near future!

"We had a point to make and we made it," Marino said afterwards. "We didn't beat the Kangaroos. We came within one count of that and would have beaten them if Costello hadn't interfered. But we proved they *can* be beaten and that *we're* the guys who can beat them. We've got their number now and you can bet Cannon knows it."

Cannon, who kept his wrestlers behind locked doors for 45 minutes after the match, refused to admit that the Italians were that good. "This was an example of sheer, unadulterated luck—the most fantastic set of unbelievable circumstances I've ever seen," Crybaby said afterwards. "Those two slob just wrestled way over their heads—it'll never happen again—and my Kangaroos had a bit of an off night. Still, they couldn't defeat us. We were never in any serious danger. The reason it might have seemed that way is that nobody expected a pair of pineapples like those two to even *last* 15 minutes. Incredible luck, that's all."

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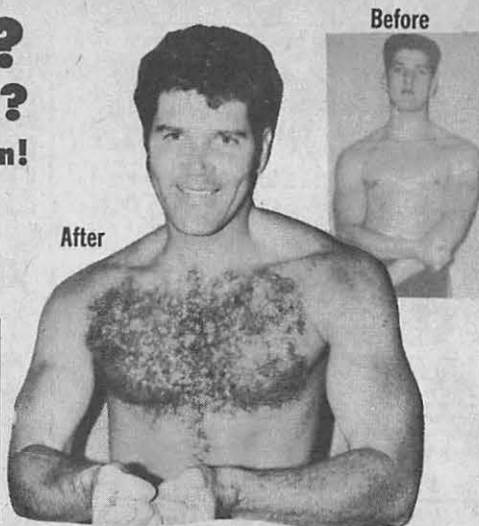
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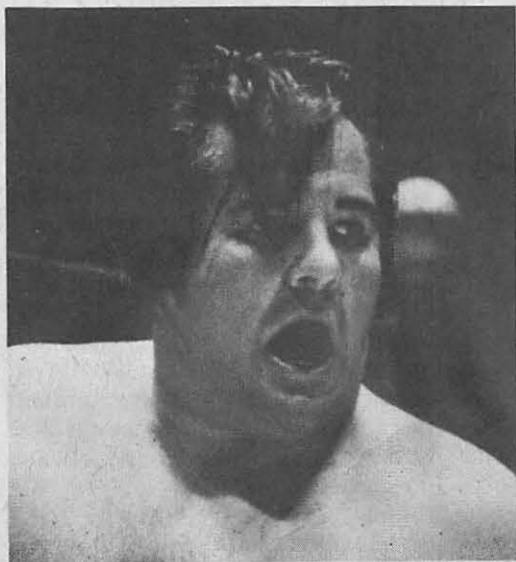
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enough to wrestle him.

This issue's "Question of the Month" was submitted by Donna McClendon. Donna wanted to know what causes certain wrestlers to become villains. Here are the answers our staff reporters received from some well-known hated villains:

BOBBY HEENAN: "Me, a vil-

"Win if you can, lose if you must, but always cheat!" That's the slogan Magnificent Maurice says is responsible for his great success. Villainous Maurice says he got that way because people aren't interested in paying top dollar to see good guys such as Jack Brisco. We think Maurice's thinking is a little backward.

lain? You must be mistaken, sir. I abide strictly by the rules at all times."

JOHN TOLOS: "Look, nobody asks how you win. People only ask did you win—and I always do—anyway I can!"

BILL CURRY: "Clean wrestlers are stupid. I wrestle the way I do because I'm smart. I

finish off my opponent before he can get a scientific hold on me. There's only one way I know how to wrestle and that's as dirty as you possibly can!"

MAGNIFICENT MAURICE: "Villains—as you call us—become that way because we are in demand more often. Who would pay money to see the likes of Jack Brisco or anyone like that? The fans only pay their dough to see my kind. And remember my slogan—win if you can, lose if you must, but always cheat!"

BULLDOG BROWER: "Listen, is this game it's kill or be killed. I never give my opponent a chance to kill me. I always get the advantage first."

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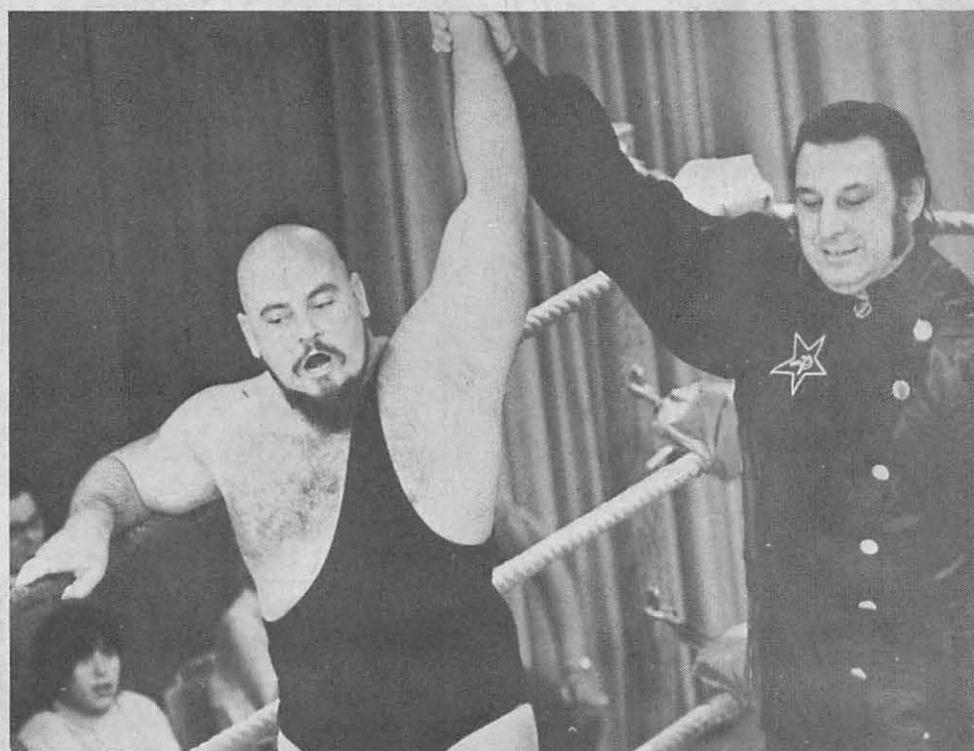
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WHY IVAN KOLOFF DISAPPEARED

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Ivan's hand is raised by his new manager, The Big K, who has specialized in bringing foreign wrestlers to the U.S.

me because I'm a Russian. I ask them if they're proud to be Americans and they say they are. So why is it so strange for a man from the Soviet Union to be proud to be a Russian? I do not hate them because they are proud to be Americans. Everybody should have pride in his country. Yet they hate me for having pride in mine."

Despite all the obstacles Koloff and The Big K face, neither has any doubts that Ivan will again soon wear a championship belt.

"Ivan may be a Russian but he's going about winning the championship in the American way," The Big K noted. "He started at the bottom and is working his way up. He's wrestling everybody and he's beating them fairly and squarely. Sure the fans yell and scream. But watch Ivan closely. See how many times he pulls hair, kicks illegally or throws illegal punches. You'd be surprised. He doesn't. He doesn't have to."

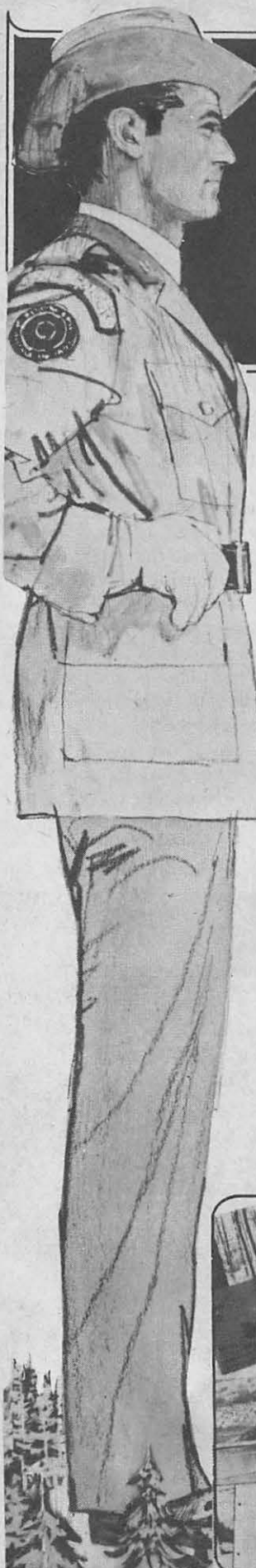
"Meanwhile, bigger and better opponents are the order of the day for us. As we eliminate all the top talent Gagne will have to face us.

Then after we defeat him—we may just go after the tag team championship so we can have it all."

Experts claim a Koloff victory over Gagne is not out of the question and they invariably point to the way the 6-foot, 270-pounder defeated Sammartino.

"I don't know whether this guy got a bad rap or not when he lost his title to Morales," said one prominent mat star who asked to remain anonymous, "but I do know that no man I've seen in this area in a long time would have as good a chance against Gagne as Koloff. He's so strong it's incredible. All he has to do is get one bear hug or that backbreaker of his on Gagne and that's it. Frankly, I'm one guy who wouldn't be surprised if we have a new A.W.A. champion soon. Why? I've wrestled this guy. And he just may be the best in the world. In all honesty, I can't imagine how he ever lost to Morales."

"I really hope they don't hold the fact that he's a Russian against him and not give him a title shot," The Big K added. "The fans in the States would go nuts if a Russian ever won the title. I just hope they realize that when Ivan wins the world heavyweight championship he didn't win it because he's a Russian—but because he's the greatest wrestler in the world!" □



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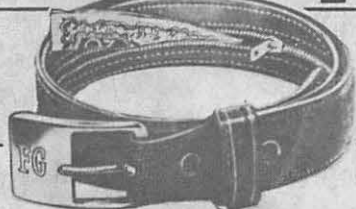
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THE HELL'S ANGELS (Continued from Page 23)

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"What it all boils down to," said Hell's Angel #2, crumpling a beer can in one hand, "is that we're too damn good for our own good. We're too successful. Can you imagine that? If we lost once in awhile I bet everybody would bend over backwards to welcome us. Well let me tell them something. The Hell's Angels don't roll over for anybody."

"You want proof? Look at what happened last year. There were two tournaments to find tag team champions and supposedly the best wrestlers in the world participated. One tournament was won by Tarzan Tyler and Luke Graham! Do you believe that? Tyler and Graham! We eat guys like them for breakfast! Do you think the Hell's Angels were invited to participate in that tournament?"

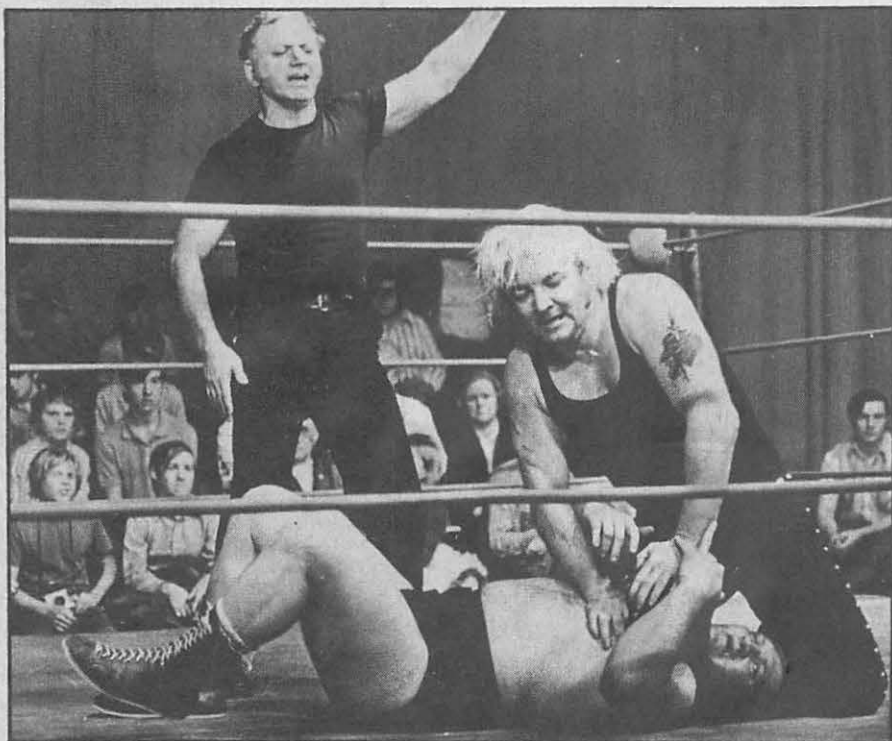
"The other tournament was won by the Fabulous Kangaroos. Okay. They ain't bad. They ain't great but they ain't bad. You know who they

beat in the finals? Ben Justice and some grapefruit who calls himself the Stomper! So what happens to this great Stomper? He gets his leg busted! Some Stomper. With that kind of competition no wonder the Kangaroos won it so easily. But do you think Hell's Angels were invited to participate in that tournament? You better believe we weren't."

"You're a reporter so I'll assume you got at least half a brain. Two major tournaments—no Hell's Angels. Letters sent all over the country—sorry we don't want you. You tell me, Mr. Reporter, does that or does that not sound like a conspiracy to you?"

Part of the reason for the Hell's Angels' problems is their image. Hell's Angels pride themselves on being ruthless, uncaring individuals who do all the wrong things. They train on beer, sleep in alleys and have even been rumored to kick old ladies and little children. They walk over anybody who gets in their way and have torn up more than one town. Wherever they go—a riot invariably follows. So it's not hard to understand why promoters aren't exactly thrilled when they find out the Angels are in town.

"That goes back to what I told



Hell's Angel #1 chokes his opponent while the referee warns him he'll be disqualified if he keeps it up. Their brutality to opponents as well as their off-beat life style has gotten them in trouble with promoters, who fear they'll start a riot, according to the Angels.



Hell's Angel #2 relaxes in the tub—with a beer. "If we drank milk they'd like us better," he insisted.

you before," said Hell's Angel #2. "They discriminate against us because of our life style. If we were nice, gentle people, there'd be no trouble. But the Hell's Angels don't change for anybody. That's why we're splitting up. If staying together means turning into gentlemen—we'd rather go our separate ways. This way we can terrorize two areas!"

The Angels aren't yet sure exactly which areas they'll choose to "terrorize." In fact, whenever they can, they'll try to persuade promoters to let them wrestle as a team.

"We're a team," said Angel #1 and we'll always be a team—even if we happen to be wrestling in different parts of the country. Someday, maybe we'll be lucky enough to find a promoter brave enough to allow both Hell's Angels wrestle. Until then—we're splittin' up—even though we don't want to." □

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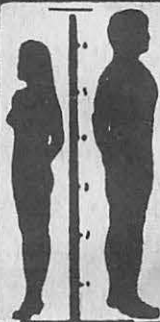
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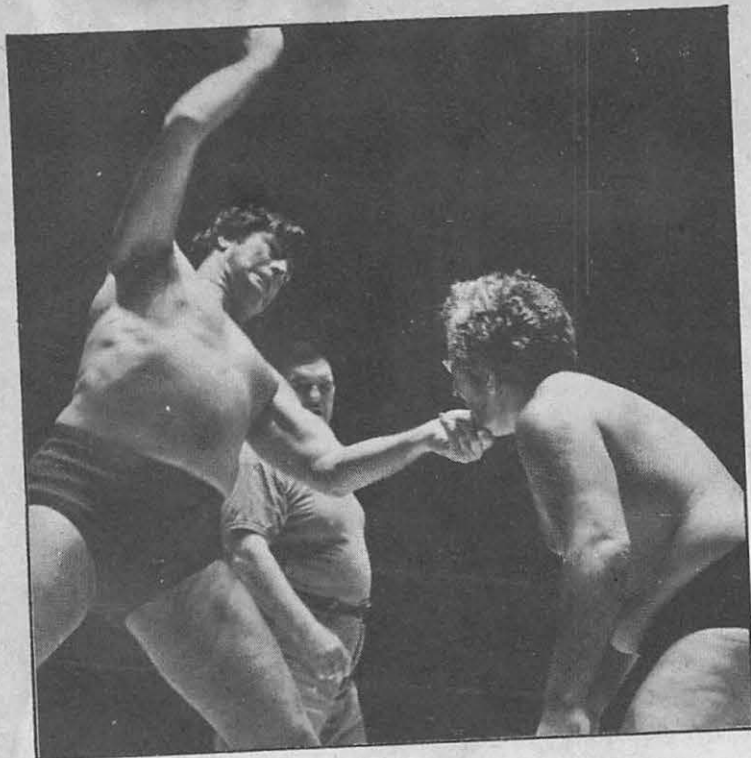
be fair. But after this unprovoked attack—an attack where I couldn't defend myself because I was handcuffed to the very man who controls this maniac—I can no longer stand by and be objective. I want The Sheik's blood."

It didn't take Farouk long to realize the mistake The Sheik had made in attacking Layton. "We don't want to wrestle Lord Layton," he said. "We like Lord Layton. What happened in Toronto that day was a misunderstanding. The Sheik saw Layton handcuffed to me and thought he was hurting me. I always go right into the ring after The Sheik defeats an opponent. After he destroyed that foul rag Martinez, he looked around for me. I couldn't go to my Sheik because of the handcuffs. But he didn't understand that so he went after Layton. It was all a mistake. We love Lord Layton!"

But Lord Layton wasn't falling for that piece of Farouk creativity. Only his extremely high moral standards prevented him from going after The Sheik before this. Now he had every reason in the world.

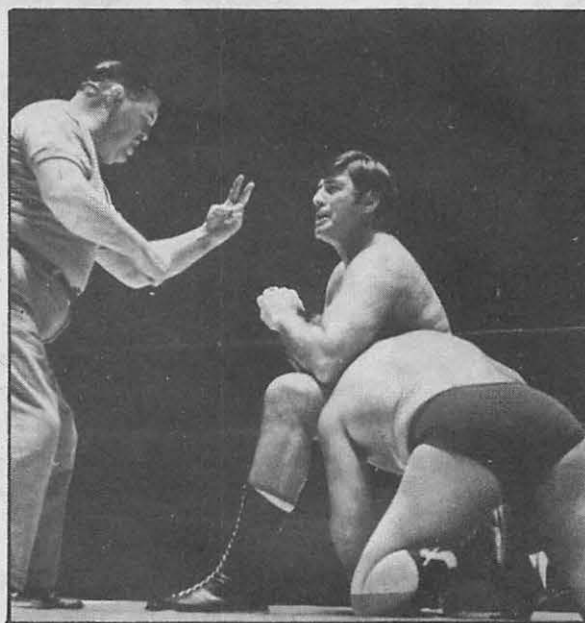
Maple Leaf Gardens was packed to the rafters for the match between Toronto's favorite son and its most hated visitor. And as has been the case for every one of The Sheik's matches for the past three years, referee Tiger Tasker was again the third man in the ring. In fact, there have been those who claim that Tasker has been overly fair to The Sheik in the past and that with other referees in there the Arab's three-year unbeaten streak might never have grown so impressive. But Tasker is as objective as a referee can be—a good quality since it wouldn't be very difficult to be partial to the other wrestler in a contest involving The Sheik. However, at the end of this night, Tasker again would hear criticisms that he "protected" The Sheik.

For five minutes Lord Layton gave The Sheik the beating of his life. Were it anybody else but the unscrupulous Arab on the receiving end the fans would have been yelling to stop the match. But as they brawled outside the ropes, Tasker began to count. As the count neared 10, The Sheik lay on the ring apron outside the ropes while Layton was standing inside the ropes, trying to free his



Lord Layton (left) holds The Sheik's head in place with his left hand as his right hand swings down in a fierce karate chop. Right: The karate chop lands squarely on The Sheik's forehead, bringing a squeal of pain as well as a spurt of blood from the Arab.

Lord Layton gets a warning about his method of holding The Sheik in place—a method in which he held him by the throat. Layton will rarely resort to such tactics, but The Sheik's sneaky and unprovoked attacks caused the Lord to lose his temper.



foot from The Sheik's clutches. And as the count reached 10, The Sheik remained outside the ropes—still clutching the Lord's boot. Layton, except for the boot, was totally inside.

The crowd cheered like mad in anticipation of the verdict. It assumed The Sheik had been counted out. Layton, obviously, had returned to the ring well in time. But Tasker ruled that Layton's left foot was fractionally outside the bottom rope and therefore out of the ring. He ruled it a double disqualification! "A man must have *both* feet in the ring to avoid being counted out," Tiger stressed, citing the rule book. He was right.

But the fans didn't agree and they

clamored for a rematch. Layton had been the first man in three years to give The Sheik such a hard time. They wanted to see him get the victory and to see The Sheik's unbeaten streak end.

The match was made for one week later—a "Death Match" to boot. And for Toronto fans, the week could not come quick enough.

Again the Gardens were packed. And again Layton carried the action to The Sheik, adopting the same tactics Martinez had used a few weeks earlier. He attacked The Sheik before the bell rang, pummeling him with his deadly judo chops.

Tasker pulled the Lord off, but only long enough for him to signal

for the match to officially begin. But the respite was long enough for The Sheik to collect his wits. He jumped out of the ring, picked up the timekeeper's wooden bench, and brought it back in with him as he advanced on Layton. But Lord Layton outfoxed the Arab and promptly took the bench right out of his hands and cracked it over his head.

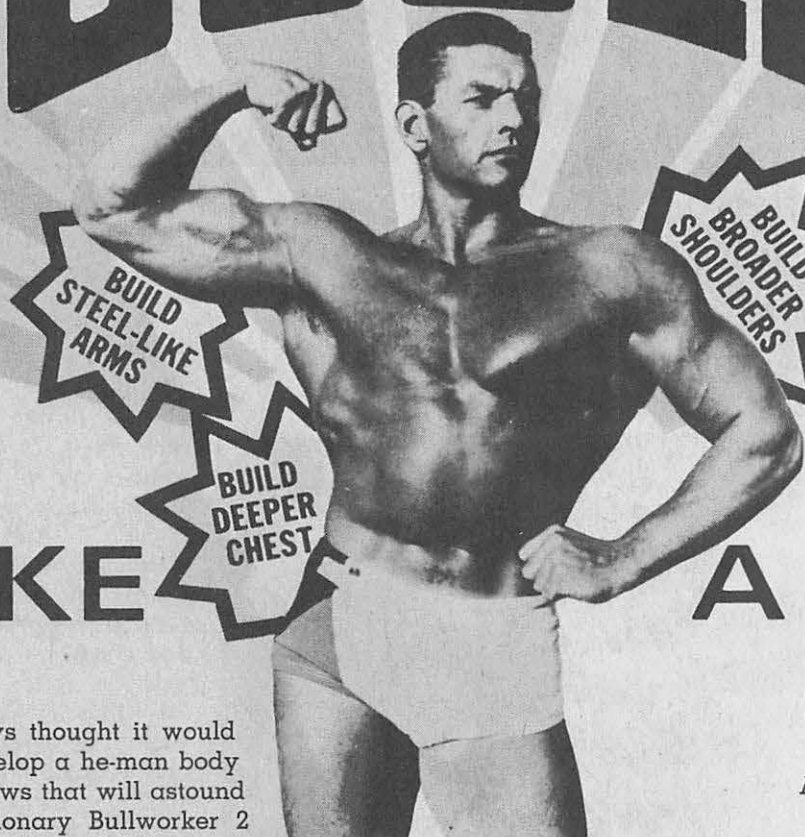
Blood rolled down The Sheik's face like a crimson Niagara Falls. But when the bench had been slammed over his hard head, it splintered, and The Sheik picked up a jagged piece of wood about the size of a policeman's club. He jabbed the splintery wood into the Lord's eyes.

After smashing it over his head, The Sheik threw the wood away. It wouldn't be needed any longer. He had his weapon for what would come next—his teeth! Trapping Layton in his corner, The Sheik gnawed away at the Lord's handsome face, opening a gruesome-looking gash. The Sheik was not the only one bleeding now. The blood ran down into Layton's eyes—just as it had done with Martinez—as history repeated itself. Blinded, Layton staggered around the ring, swinging his arms wildly, hoping to catch The Sheik with a judo chop.

But the Arab was already into his Camel Trot, easily avoiding Layton's wild, unseeing swings. The Sheik sneaked up behind him, clubbed him on the head with a fist, and hurled him over the ropes and out of the ring. Layton, still unseeing, couldn't find his way back before Tiger Tasker reached 10. The Sheik had triumphed again!

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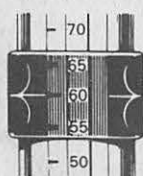
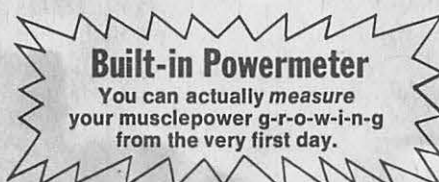
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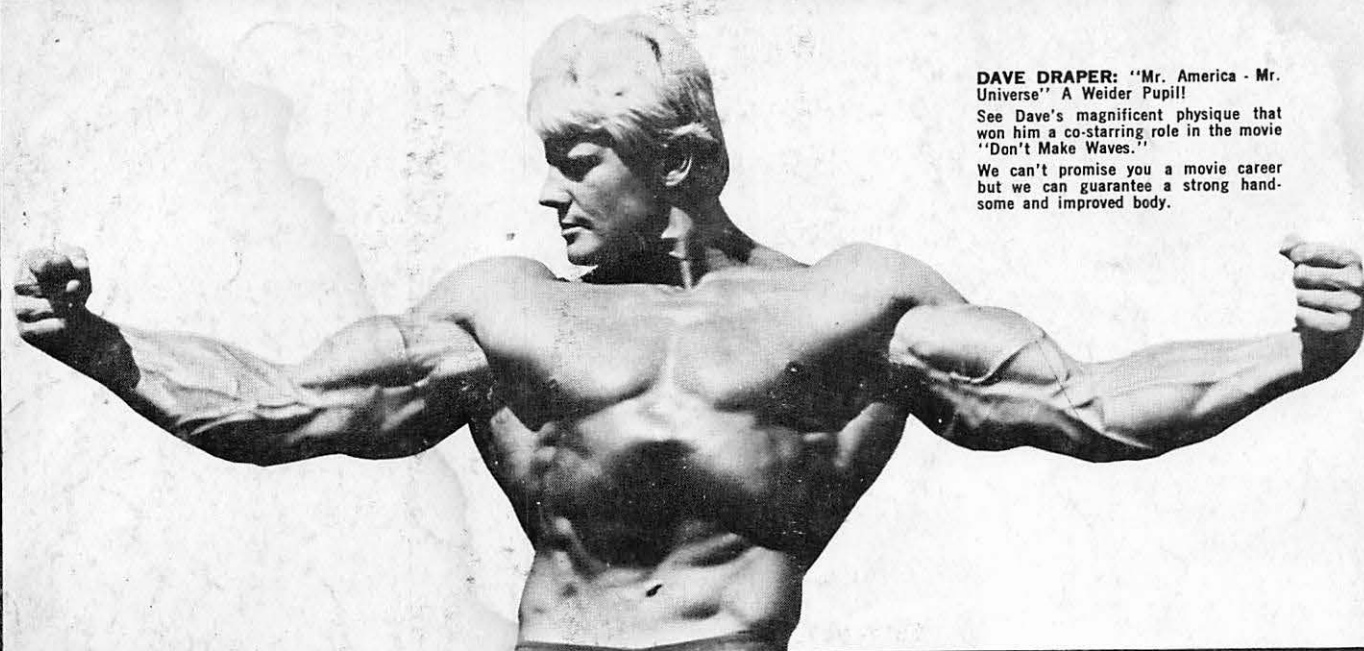
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